

PROPOSED ELECTRIC MERGER IS VITAL TO SIX STATE SYSTEMS

Acquirement of Connecting Lines by the Elevated Would Add a Thousand Miles to Trackage.

STIRS UP PROBLEM

Control of the Properties Through Medium of Holding Company Would Readjust Fare Scale.

The proposed merger of the electric lines around Boston into the Boston Elevated system, through the medium of a holding company, which project is favored, under salutary restrictions, by the joint board of railroad commissioners and the Boston transit commission, would affect, if carried out, all the electric roads that come in contact with the Elevated. The addition of more than 1000 miles of tracks to the system and a readjustment of the fare scale would be among the consequences of such a merger.

Such a project, if carried out in its entirety, would give the Boston Elevated, through the proposed holding company, control of the following traction properties:

Blue Hill railway, total trackage 18 miles, equipment 27 cars, employees 60, carries annually more than 1,500,000 passengers; assets approximately \$700,000.

Boston & Northern, total trackage 512 miles, equipment 1194 cars; 2528 employees on payroll, capable of carrying annually 93,500,000 passengers; gross assets almost \$26,000,000.

Boston & Worcester, total trackage 79 miles, equipment 77 cars, 250 employees on payroll, capable of carrying annually 12,000,000 passengers; assets almost \$5,000,000.

Old Colony, total main trackage 355 miles, equipment 745 cars, 1600 employees on payroll, yearly carrying rate of 36,000,000 passengers; assets \$17,500,000.

Newton Street Railway, total trackage 65 miles, equipment 160 cars, 300 employees on payroll, average annual traffic 10,000,000 passengers; total assets approximately \$3,000,000.

Lexington & Boston Railway Company, total main trackage of 30 miles, equipment of 70 cars, 100 employees on payroll, annual traffic 3,000,000 passengers; assets approximately \$1,500,000.

The total assets of these corporations amount to \$53,700,000; the total mileage of track is 1059 miles. The number of new cars to be operated would be 2273 and 3838 employees would be added to the payroll of the system. The number of passengers carried annually by the combined outside lines is 176,000,000.

The limits to which the Elevated road can go if the proposed bill passes the Legislature are only bounded by the state line. There are 82 street railways in the state, and their total aggregate of gross assets represents more than \$170,154,909, with a total trackage of nearly 3,000,000 miles.

It is not probable that the Elevated would acquire or attempt to acquire all these roads, at least, at once. This, however, shows the possibilities of the merger project. The Boston & Northern system on one side reaches Portsmouth, N. H., while on the other the Old Colony extends to Providence.

SANDED STREETS NEED FOR HORSES

Friends of Dumb Animals in Boston Raise a Protest Against Slippery Condition of Pavements.

Many friends of dumb animals claim that insufficient care is taken to protect the horses on slippery streets. They say that if a liberal supply of sand were spread on these streets the condition would be practically overcome. This condition is found most frequently on asphalt or wood block paving. It does not so often arise on the granite block pavements.

The transients object very strongly to asphalt and also wood block paving, claiming that even when these streets are sanded they are not in a proper condition over which to drive horses. Sand is of considerable assistance to the horses when it is used on smooth surfaces.

Superintendent Guy C. Emerson of the street department says that the department does not sand the streets where there is granite block paving, but that the other streets are sanded whenever they are in condition that unfits them for the use of horses.

BOSTON POULTRY SHOW OPENS.

The Boston poultry, pigeon and pet stock show opened at 10 a. m. today in the Mechanics building. The exhibition includes 200 poultry, 200 rabbits, guinea pigs, fancy water fowl, etc., and 3000 pigeons. The cat show with 300 cats will open tomorrow.

BALLINGER PROBE CAUCUS PLANNED

Insurgents Will Meet Tomorrow Night to Decide on Two Members of Special Committee.

WASHINGTON—The Democrats in the House will hold a caucus tomorrow night to select their two members of the joint Ballinger-Pinchot probe committee. It is stated today that Representatives Sherrill (Ky.), and Howard (Ga.), who were reported to have been selected by the administration leaders, will not be endorsed by the Democratic caucuses. Substitutes for these men will probably be nominated by Champ Clark, the minority leader.

The insurgents have agreed not to vote for Messrs. Dalzell (Rep., Pa.) or Martin (Rep., S. D.) as members of the committee. Their names were on the list of those alleged to have been selected by the leaders of the regulars.

There seems to be little objection to Messrs. McCall (Rep., Mass.) and Stevens (Rep., Minn.) as members, although some of the insurgents have announced that they would not vote for Mr. Stevens. It was agreed that Mr. Madison (Rep., Kan.) would be endorsed by the insurgents as one of the members of the committee and that the regulars would be allowed to appoint the other three, if they were acceptable to the insurgents as fair men.

STATE TRADE BOARD MEMBERS CONSIDER TAXATION QUESTION

Executive Council Takes up Discussion of the Proposed Constitutional Amendment at Boston Meeting.

BOTH SIDES HEARD

Taxation was the main question before the executive council of the Massachusetts State Board of Trade, which held its third meeting for 1909-10 at the Hotel Vendome today at 1 p. m. The meeting considered the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the General Court to impose taxes.

The council was addressed by Sydney R. Wrightington, secretary of the manufacturers and merchants committee on tax laws in favor of the movement. Leslie R. Weed of a special committee of the real estate exchange and auction board opposed the amendment.

After discussing the analysis of the report of the commission on tax laws there followed the reports of the various committees. The committee of ways and means reported favorably relative to holding a convention for the consideration of Atlantic deeper waterways, but asked for more time to consider the matter. The convention will be held in April.

The committee on state legislation reported favorably on the communication from Edgar Potter for limiting the term of county, city and town treasurer to six consecutive years.

In support of the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the General Court to impose taxes Mr. Wrightington said that the amendment desired is an amendment to the state constitution to allow the Legislature to classify property for the purpose of taxation and to relieve the present rigid system which impedes progress in many directions. The resolve for this amendment was passed by the last Legislature and will be before the present Legislature for reenactment. A commission has reported against the advisability of the amendment, but a large number of tax experts and public bodies consider the amendment of the utmost importance to the commercial and industrial development of the state.

MRS. ROUSSEAU RECOGNIZES "SON"

Mrs. Joseph Rousseau testified at the Russell will case hearing today that the claimant, "Daniel Blake Russell," is her son, "James Delbert Rousseau."

She stated that the claimant had showed her the tattoo marks on his arms and that he told her they would serve as a means of identifying him.

Mrs. Lizzie Vice, the youngest sister of James Rousseau, testified she had written to "Jim" in North Dakota either in 1903 or 1904, telling him of her marriage to John Vice. She received in return six photographs of himself from him.

GRANT A PETITION FOR SAVINGS BANK.

Dist. Atty. John Higgins of Middlesex and ex-Mayor Grimmons of Somerville appeared before the board of bank incorporation this morning in favor of the petition for the incorporation of the Somerville Institution for Savings. The bank is to be located on Broadway, near Franklin street. The new institution is assured of ample financial backing. The board voted to grant the charter.

CAMBRIDGE Y. W. C. A. CAMPAIGN FOR FUND STARTS WITH RUSH

Today Sees First Real Collection Work and Already \$25,000 Out of \$100,000 Is Pledged.

DONOR IS UNKNOWN

Cambridge Y. W. C. A. began the second day of its campaign for \$100,000 today with \$25,000 in pledges already announced. This is really the first day of the campaign, Monday's activities being centered around a banquet in the association's gymnasium hall, 7 Temple street, Cambridge.

The dinner began with the announcement of a \$20,000 gift from a donor whose name is withheld. Other donations amounted to \$5000 more, and the total of \$25,000 is registered on a large thermometer, lighted by colored lights and hanging on the Central square building.

The other gifts announced were F. C. Bill and Miss Caroline Bill \$1000, Mrs. James L. Paine \$1000, Mrs. Austin C. Wellington \$1000, Mrs. Julia B. Bright \$1000, in memory of Charles W. Wood \$500, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Payley \$300.

Covers were laid at the banquet for 137, and the citizens committee of 100, of which Mrs. E. H. Cobb is chairman. Those who spoke were Mrs. Rivinius, Mayor W. F. Brooke, Mrs. E. H. Cobb, Dr. Alexander McKenzie, Miss Gertrude J. Owen, general secretary of the association; ex-Mayor W. C. Wardwell, Mrs. C. H. Bonney, J. L. Paine, T. H. Raymond, one of the association directors, and H. T. Waller, secretary of the Cambridge Y. W. C. A.

The committee of 100 will meet every day at the association headquarters at 7 Temple street at 5 p. m. and report.

WAKEFIELD, Mass. — The teams working for the Wakefield Y. M. C. A. fund have secured nearly three fourths of the \$12,000 in two days. The amount raised Monday by subscription was \$5051, making the total pledged \$8796. The 10 teams raised \$3745 Saturday and expect to raise the amount easily within the 10-day limit, possibly by Wednesday night.

The pledges made Monday of \$500 or over are credited to Junius Beebe, Mrs. Carrie L. Evans, Arthur L. Evans, Percival R. Evans, John S. Griffiths, Henry W. Jackson, Harry I. Thayer and Arthur G. Wallin. There were five pledges of \$250 and 18 of \$100 each.

NEW COMMANDER FOR TECH CADETS

F. H. Busby '12 of Boston has been appointed captain of company A of the corps of cadets at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to take the place of Capt. Donald E. Bent '12 of Denver, Col., who has resigned. Other promotions made are as follows: Company D, Sergt. S. E. Rogers '13, to first sergeant; Corp. M. W. Leonard to fifth sergeant, and J. M. Isenberg '13, corporal.

The Association of Class Secretaries of Technology will give a dinner this evening to James Phinney Munroe, 1882, at the University Club in honor of his services on the Technology Review, the quarterly publication of the alumni association, which was formerly produced under the direction of the association. Mr. Munroe is secretary of the Technology corporation.

Prof. T. A. Jagger, head of the department of geology at the institute, will lecture to the members of the Society of Arts tomorrow evening at Huntington hall on "Japanese Volcanoes."

OPPOSE COMMERCE COURT.

DENVER, Col.—Opposition to President Taft's proposed interstate commerce court is the position taken by many leaders among delegates to the American National Live Stock Association, which opened here today. Members say the railroads are behind the proposition.

SUBMITS INCOME TAX BILL.

Governor Draper today submitted to the Legislature a copy of the resolution of Congress proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States giving Congress power to lay and collect taxes on incomes. The Governor makes no recommendation.

CONTESTED ELECTIONS HEARD.

The House committee on elections gave hearings this morning on the twenty-third Middlesex district contested election case of Charles E. Bennett against Lynde Sullivan of Malden, and the ninth Bristol district case of Fred Moore against William Booth of Fall River.

WATER PIPES PUT OUT FIRE.

The opening of two water pipes in the basement of 44 and 46 Purchase street at noon today extinguished a fire in the new store of Harold L. Bond & Co., dealers in hardware and contractors supplies. The damage was about \$500.

MELROSE PLACES NEW LOAN.

City Treasurer William R. Lavendar of Melrose has placed the temporary loan for \$30,000 with the state treasurer at 4 per cent. This was the first loan made under the new regulations, and required five separate certificates.

James J. Storrow Casts His Ballot

Nominee for Mayor of Boston Who Votes in One of the Back Bay Precincts.



CANDIDATE STORROW ENTERS HIS POLLING BOOTH. Picture taken this morning at the voting place in ward 11, precinct 8, corner of Commonwealth avenue and Fairfield street.

SERIES OF RECENT EVENTS STIRS THE NATION'S INTEREST

Republicans Realize That the Situation in Party Ranks Is Growing More Strained Every Day.

DEPENDS ON "ELBA"

WASHINGTON—That the situation in the Republican party is acute and is becoming more so every day is apparent to the most casual observer. The insurgent movement in the House makes it serious enough, and there is also the progressive movement in the Senate; the Ballinger-Pinchot trouble; the increased cost of living agitation; the sugar crisis, and the tariff war.

That the President must sooner or later declare himself for or against the speaker in the insurgent fight seems inevitable, and no matter which way he turns, more party trouble is sure to result. The organization men now assert that he has so often declared himself an advocate of "party solidarity" that he can hardly side with those who have voted against their party in the councils of the House.

The Bristow-Dolliver combination of progressives in the Senate has a strong following in the Republican states and threatens trouble next summer during

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ORDNANCE CORPS SEEKS OFFICERS

Lieut. Col. Charles B. Wheeler, commanding the Watertown arsenal, has been selected a member of a board of ordnance officers to meet at the New York arsenal, Jan. 24, to recommend officers for detail in the ordnance corps as majors.

Col. Stanhope E. Blunt, commanding the Springfield arsenal, is president of the board. Maj. John H. Rice, Washington, who recently inspected the Watertown arsenal, is the third member.

SPECIAL MEETING AT WOBURN.

WOBURN, Mass.—A special meeting of the city council is to be held this evening to consider the matter of petitioning the Legislature for permission to borrow money outside the debt limit for the purpose of renewing the water mains which have been in service for 35 years.

PASS ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL.

WASHINGTON—The House today passed the army appropriation bill carrying \$95,000,000.

MASSACHUSETTS FARM BOARD BEGINS WINTER WORK TODAY

Today the Massachusetts state board of agriculture began its winter meeting at the State House. Vice-President John Bursley of West Barnstable presided.

Secretary Ellsworth presented his annual report which discussed at considerable length conditions of crops, milk standard and the dairy bureau.

Apples were reported as showing a good yield; dairy products have brought better prices but the price of milk at

WHAT ARE POWERS OF A MAYOR UNDER THE NEW CHARTER?

Revolutionary Changes in Government of the City of Boston Are to Mark Incoming Administration.

HAS ABSOLUTE VETO

The question: "What are the powers of the mayor of Boston under the new charter?" is answered in the following article, which has a timely interest in view of the election today:

When the Massachusetts Legislature enacted and the Governor approved House bill 1674, providing a new charter for Boston, the majority of its provisions at once went into effect; and the people of Boston at their municipal election chose the alternative plan two, which concerned itself with the size and manner of selection of the city council, the nomination, election and term of the mayor, and abolished party nominations and designation on the ballot. But sections 1 to 14, 27, 28 and 31, taking effect upon the incoming of the new city government the first Monday in February, are so revolutionary in their nature and confer such unprecedented powers upon the executive, that a resume of the mayor's duties may be of interest and explain why the present campaign was so strenuously contested.

Section 1 abolishes the following positions: City messenger, clerk of council, clerk of committees, assistant clerk of committees and subordinates. The council may create, subject to approval by its business and salaries thereof.

Section 2 provides that the mayor may submit to the council an ordinance or a loan order. If not adopted or rejected

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ARMY OFFICER'S ORDERS SHIFTED

Capt. Frank C. Jewell, coast artillery corps, who was to come to Boston and command the ninth company at Ft. Warren, has received new orders. He is now to report to Col. Robert H. Patterson, artillery district commander for staff duty. His successor as commander of the ninth company has not been announced. Lieut. V. P. Horton will continue in temporary command. Capt. George H. McManus, artillery engineer for Boston harbor, is about to be promoted and leave Ft. Banks. It is said Captain Jewell will assume the engineer position at Ft. Banks.

HEAVIEST VOTE IN HISTORY OF BOSTON IS POLLED TODAY FOR CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR

Lively Incidents at Polls Mark Casting of Ballots For Various Candidates

CANDIDATE STORROW gets reception at polling place in ward 11, Commonwealth avenue and Fairfield street, when he votes at 9:30 a. m.

Candidate Fitzgerald casts his ballot at 1 p. m. in his precinct in ward 24. Hundreds of his supporters join in loudly acclaiming him the "next mayor of Boston!"

Candidate Taylor left his home in West Brookline street at an early hour for the polls. Later in the day he said: "Everything indicates a very close contest."

Candidate Hibbard was confident of reelection as mayor of Boston when he departed from his home in Dorchester for the polling booth in ward 24. He declared the fight was not so close but that the final count would find him a winner.

WARD INDICATIONS PRESAGE UNUSUALLY CLOSE VOTE CASTING

Leaders in the Various Precincts Throughout the City of Boston Predict Results of Balloting.

ALL ARE CONFIDENT

Indications by wards as to the candidates for whom the votes will be cast in the election of today presage an unusually close vote and are as follows:

Ward 1—It is generally believed that Candidate Fitzgerald will carry the ward, his plurality being calculated at somewhere between 500 and 800. In several quarters the opinion is expressed that Mayor Hibbard will show much more strength in the ward than is conceded him.

Ward 2—This is also thought to be a Fitzgerald ward, and it is estimated that he will have about 1000 votes less way to assist him in making up short-ages in other wards. To offset this, however, the Storrow people in ward 2 say that there is a surprise in store for the Fitzgerald element.

Ward 3—The vote in this ward is considered likely to be fairly divided between Candidates Storrow and Fitzgerald. The politicians on both sides claim that they carry the ward for their candidate.

The Charlestown Wards Claimed by Both Sides

Ward 4—This is another ward in which both parties are claiming the election. It is thought that there will be a pretty even break between the candidates. This seems to be the general thought among the Charlestown wards.

Ward 5—Enough votes are expected to be cast in this ward in favor of Candidate Storrow to put him on an almost equal footing with Candidate Fitzgerald, although the ward has been considered one of the strongholds of the ex-mayor.

Ward 6—Fitzgerald and anti-Fitzgerald factions are both confident of carrying the ward. The anti-Fitzgerald people point to the lowering of the vote figures for the ex-mayor's candidates in the last two elections, while Mr. Fitzgerald's followers find equal satisfaction in the fact that they have carried the ward at each of these elections in spite of strong opposition.

Ward 7—According to one ward leader's estimate this ward will give Mr. Fitzgerald 1000 of the 1600 votes in the ward. Mr. Storrow about 400 and Mayor Hibbard between 150 and 175. This leaves about 25 votes for Nathaniel H. Taylor. Another estimate is that Mr. Storrow will carry the ward by a narrow margin.

Eighth Ward Is Generally Conceded to Fitzgerald

Ward 8—This ward is generally conceded to Candidate Fitzgerald. One estimate of the ward gives Mr. Fitzgerald 2200 votes and Mr. Storrow 800, with 200 for the other candidates. Another gives Mr. Fitzgerald 1800 and Mr. Storrow 1200, with about 100 to the other candidates.

Ward 9—Ex-Alderman Bowen claims that this ward will be carried by Mr. Fitzgerald by at least 500 votes. He says that many who voted against the ex-mayor at the last city election will today vote in his favor.

Ward 10—This ward will give Mr. Storrow a large vote. The figures given

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ELECTION IS FIRST TO BE HELD UNDER NEW CITY CHARTER

Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald Runs the Banker a Close Race in South Boston and the West and North Ends.

BALLOTING IS CLOSE

Lawlessness in Ward Eight This Morning Causes Call by Mr. Storrow for More Police Protection.

Boston's first election under the new city charter is in progress today.

An unusually large vote had been cast long before the noon hour, and all indications point to the heaviest balloting ever recorded at a municipal election in this city.

The four mayoralty candidates—James J. Storrow, John F. Fitzgerald, George A. Hibbard and Nathaniel H. Taylor—all profess to be sanguine of success, but the political workers consider the contest primarily one between Messrs. Storrow and Fitzgerald.

The ex-mayor's strength is mainly in the North and South Ends, and Mr. Storrow is most largely supported in the Back Bay and western and southern suburban districts.

Automobiles are provided in great profusion to carry voters to the polls.

The polls close at 4 p. m.

The result of the election should be known early tonight. The ballot is simply, short and easy to count.

The first precinct ought to be heard from about 4:30 p. m., and the election commissioners look for the return from the last precinct before 10 p. m.

Reports received this afternoon at the various campaign headquarters indicated that a tremendously large vote is being polled for mayor, council and school committee in all sections of the city, and according to the best authorities Mr. Storrow and Mr. Fitzgerald, candidates for mayor, are running very close in South Boston and in the West and North Ends.

The Storrow vote in the Back Bay is reported as very large and the indications are that he will sweep that section of the city. It is said that Mr. Hibbard is polling a very large vote in Dorchester and Jamaica Plain, and it is claimed that he is getting a large vote from the Democrats of the City Point section of South Boston.

Campaign Manager John F. McDonald of the Fitzgerald headquarters is touring every ward of the city looking after the Fitzgerald workers and making sure that the full Fitzgerald vote is brought out. Members of Mayor Hibbard's headquarters said that they have already toured the city and express themselves as much pleased at the indications of a big Hibbard vote.

Early this morning Ernest Smith, a representative of the Good Government Association who has been prosecuting the alleged illegal registration cases in ward 8, was assaulted as he was on his way to the polling booth in precinct 1, where most of the cases were registered. While walking down Lowell street several men surrounded him and after beating him made their escape.

James J. Storrow, the Municipal League candidate for mayor, had just left the vicinity of the assault when it was made, and as soon as he heard of it he instructed his campaign manager, Edmund Billings, to apply to Commissioner O'Meara for additional police protection for the precinct.

Storrow Goes into Thick of Fray in Eighth Ward

Candidate Storrow is personally touring many of the wards, but is devoting most of his time to wards 6 and 8 in the North and West Ends. The contest in ward 8 has never been more bitter than today, and Mr. Storrow's presence there has done much to instill confidence in his supporters, particularly among the Jewish people.

The unusually large vote coming out in the Back Bay district was shown by the fact that in the Westland avenue precinct of ward 10 at 11:30 a. m. 527 out of a possible 700 had voted, and in the Prince school precinct approximately 700 out of a possible 900 had cast their ballots.

The vote in South Boston has been

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WAKEFIELD REFORM SOUGHT.

WAKEFIELD, Mass.—The board of health of this town at its coming annual town meeting will ask the appointment of a special officer who shall make periodical sanitary inspections of dwellings throughout the town. The board will also advocate municipal collection of garbage.

"A LINE A DAY"
Ward's Record Book or Diary for recording events for 5 yrs in one book, 80c to \$5. Ask your dealer, 87 Franklin St.

Leading Events in Athletic World

BROWN'S BASEBALL NINE TO HAVE LONG SEASON OF PLAYING

Twenty-Seven Games Have Been Scheduled, Including the Big College Teams of the East.

MANY VETERANS OUT

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—In view of the fact that eight veterans will be on hand to participate in baseball, the announcement of a hard schedule for Brown, consisting of 27 games, means that particular interest will be paid by the student body to that branch of sport during the coming spring.

Baseball has been a strong department in Brown athletics, and several seasons a championship team has been developed which was able to defeat both Harvard and Yale decisively. Prospects for this year are bright, and with eight of the former team on the field, a strong nine will be presented to the opponents.

The new schedule, just announced by Manager William H. Kent, gives two games each with Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Holy Cross and Amherst. Of the entire list of 27 games, 18 will be played at Andrews field in this city and nine out of town. The first game of the season is scheduled for April 2, against Bowdoin in this city.

Cage practice under Coach Fred W. Woodcock will start the first of the coming month. Captain Hennessey will have seven well trained baseball players to support him, and a wealth of new material to select from in filling the bench with first class substitutes. Hennessey will catch as usual, and in all probability Staff, one of the veteran men, will do the larger part of the pitching. Seven other candidates are out for the box position, however, and several have earned records at preparatory schools.

A. E. Regnier, last year's captain of the football team and the champion all round athlete at Brown, will cover second base, his former position. Regnier prepared at Dorchester high school. Clark and Warner will be among the old nitches and Giles at first base and Nash at short stop will round out a strong infield. Reilly of Brockton high will be a candidate for third base, a vacant position.

McKay, Barrows, Witherow and Swaffield will be among the old men out for positions in the outfield. Among the other men out for positions are McGurty, Bliss, Barrows, Altdorfer, Cawley, Gilbert, Marsh and Leith, Howe, Crowther, Ashbaugh, Aspinwall, Torrey, Snell, Harris, Murnane and H. Hennessey, brother of the captain.

Howe played on the Delancy school team in Philadelphia; Crowther comes from Pawtucket; Ashbaugh and Altdorfer come from Ohio; Bains, last year's captain at Exeter, will be at Brown; Conzelmann played on Cushing Academy; Torrey comes from Weymouth high and Aspinwall from Pawtucket; Snell caught on Andover last year; Harris is from Dedham high.

Several important changes have been made in arranging this year's schedule. The Carlisle Indians will not play Brown, neither will Cornell, Michigan, New York University or Rochester. The new teams which will be played are Rhode Island State College, Exeter, Cushing Academy, Tufts, West Point and Stevens Institute.

The complete schedule is as follows: April 2, Bowdoin at Providence; 3, Rhode Island State College at Providence; 5, Trinity at Providence; 13, Amherst Agricultural College at Providence; 16, Pennsylvania State College at Providence; 20, Vermont at Providence; 23, Princeton at Providence; 27, Lafayette at Providence; 30, Princeton at Princeton. May 4, Exeter at Providence; 6, Cushing Academy at Providence; 7, Tufts at Providence; 10, Columbia at New York; 11, West Point at West Point; 14, Holy Cross at Providence; 18, Yale at New Haven; 21, Colgate at Providence; 25, Pennsylvania State College at Philadelphia; 28, Harvard at Providence; 30, Yale at Providence. June 1, Wesleyan at Providence; 4, Stevens Institute at Providence; 8, Pennsylvania State College at Providence; 11, Amherst at Amherst; 15, Amherst at Providence; 17, Harvard at Cambridge; 18, Holy Cross at Worcester.

HIGHER SALARIES FOR SIX

CINCINNATI, O.—Six members of the Cincinnati baseball team will receive higher figures with their new contracts than they received last year. These men are: Gaspar, Bescher, Mitchell, Hoblitzell, Downey and Egan. All have played great ball and some of them did a bit of wonderful work last fall after the regular season was over and while they were barnstorming in the West. Just what increases they received cannot be learned, but that it will keep them in line and with the team, is the assertion of Manager Clarke Griffith.

WORCESTER NAMES DELEGATES

WORCESTER, MASS.—At a meeting of the directors of the Worcester Golf Club, held in the rooms of the Worcester Automobile Club, it was voted that the club would drop out of the Central Massachusetts Golf Association, of which it is now a member. The club will retain its membership in the United States Golf Association and the Massachusetts State Golf Association. President George A. Batchelder and J. M. Stone will be sent by the Worcester Golf Club to the annual meeting of the latter association to be held in Boston, Jan. 17.

SCHOOLS FORM A NEW LEAGUE

Eight Teams Will Play for the Championship Title of the Boston High School Baseball Clubs.

The Boston High School Baseball League is the name of the new association which has succeeded the two-school leagues that were in existence last year. The new league was organized Monday afternoon by the election of E. F. Fields of the Commerce president, Albert M. Butler of East Boston High secretary-treasurer. Mr. Butler, who is a teacher at East Boston High school, is a former Worcester High school sprinter.

Eight schools have voted to become members of the association. Boston High, Dorchester High and English High were the only big schools that did not send representatives and will not be members. English High will pursue its policy of not being a member of any league, but will play games with league teams independently. Boston Latin and Dorchester High will take this same stand as regards baseball. The schools that have entered are Mechanic Arts, Roxbury, West Roxbury, East Boston, Charlestown, South Boston, Commerce and Brighton.

A championship trophy is to be presented to the league by the headmasters' committee. The first game will be played April 21 and the season will close June 15. The schedule follows:

ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.
April 27—Brighton at Roxbury.
May 6—West Roxbury at West Roxbury.
May 9—East Boston at Franklin field.
May 17—Charlestown at Franklin field.
May 27—H. S. of Commerce at Fenway.
June 1—South Boston at South Boston.
June 7—Mechanic Arts at Fenway.

CHARLESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL.
April 21—Mechanic Arts at Fenway.
April 29—H. S. of Commerce at Fenway.
May 3—Brighton at Rogers park, Brighton.
May 10—West Roxbury at Charlestown.
May 17—Roxbury high at Franklin field.
May 24—South Boston at South Boston.
June 7—East Boston at Charlestown.

EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL.
April 25—South Boston at South Boston.
May 6—H. S. of Commerce at Fenway.
May 9—Roxbury high at Franklin field.
May 20—Brighton at East Boston.
May 27—Mechanic Arts at East Boston.
June 1—West Roxbury at East Boston.
June 7—Charlestown at Charlestown.

MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.
April 21—Charlestown at Fenway.
April 27—West Roxbury at Fenway.
May 3—Charlestown at Fenway.
May 10—South Boston at South Boston.
May 23—East Boston at Wood Island park.
May 27—West Roxbury at West Roxbury.
June 7—Roxbury high at Fenway.
June 14—Brighton at Brighton.

HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.
April 29—Charlestown at Fenway.
May 6—East Boston at Fenway.
May 11—Brighton at Fenway.
May 27—Roxbury high at Fenway.
June 3—Mechanic Arts at Fenway.
June 7—West Roxbury at Fenway.
June 14—Brighton at Rogers park, Brighton.

SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL.
April 25—East Boston at South Boston.
May 10—Mechanic Arts at South Boston.
May 17—West Roxbury at West Roxbury.
May 24—Charlestown at South Boston.
June 1—Roxbury high at South Boston.
June 7—Brighton at Rogers park, Brighton.

WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.
April 27—Mechanic Arts at Fenway.
May 6—Roxbury high at West Roxbury.
May 10—Charlestown at Charlestown.
May 27—Roxbury high at Fenway.
June 1—East Boston at West Roxbury.
June 7—Brighton at Brighton.

BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.
April 27—Roxbury high at Franklin field.
May 3—Charlestown at Rogers park, Brighton.
May 11—H. S. of Commerce at Fenway.
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June 7—South Boston at Rogers park, Brighton.
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SKATING DATES ARE ANNOUNCED

CHICAGO—The schedule of national and international amateur ice speed skating championship events sanctioned by the International Skating Union has been announced by Allen I. Blanchard, vice-president of the International Skating Association. The schedule includes the following fixtures:

Jan. 26-27, Cleveland, national championships (indoor); Jan. 28-29, Pittsburgh, international championships (indoor); Jan. 30, Brooklyn, eastern championships (outdoor); Jan. 31, New York, eastern championships (outdoor); Feb. 2-3, Saranac lake, international championships (outdoor); Feb. 5, Montreal, Canadian championships (outdoor); Feb. 9 or 10, Boston, New England championships (indoor). Everett C. Brown, president of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, has decided in the controversy between the Eastern Skating Association and the International Skating Association that the Amateur Athletic Union will back up the International Skating Union in its ruling on the case of Amateur Champion Lamy.

This supports the action of the Western Skating Association which protested against the action of the Eastern Skating Association in declaring Lamy a professional.

YALE MANAGER NAMES SCHEDULE

NEW HAVEN—Manager Fred Johnson has announced the following baseball schedule for the season of 1910:

April 2, South Orange Field Club at New Haven; 6, Trinity at New Haven; 9, New York Nationals at New York; 14, Hartford (Conn. League) at Hartford; 16, Fordham at New Haven; 20, Bucknell at New Haven; 23, Vermont at New Haven; 25, West Point at West Point; 30, Pennsylvania University at New Haven.

May 4, Princeton at New Haven; 6, Virginia at New Haven; 7, Phillips Andover at New Haven; 11, Williams at New Haven; 14, Columbia at New York; 18, Philadelphia; 18, Brown at New Haven; 21, Holy Cross at Worcester; 24, Amherst at New Haven; 28, Columbia at New York; 31, Brown at Providence.

June 4, Princeton at New Haven; 8, Syracuse at New Haven; 11, Princeton at Princeton; 16, Princeton at New York (in case of tie); 18, Cornell at New York (in case of tie); 21, Harvard at Harvard; 23, Harvard at Cambridge; 25, Harvard at New York (in case of tie).

AMHERST HOCKEY SQUAD PROMISES TO BE A STRONG ONE

Has Won Its First Three Games, Defeating Trinity Seven by a Score of Seven to Nothing.

CORNELL CAPTAIN

AMHERST, Mass.—The Amherst hockey squad has been practicing now for over a month. It is a very large one and everybody who has any ability is out to help the team. The training consists of a three-mile jaunt every day and ends up with a good stiff game in which every candidate gets a chance to show his worth.

Three games have been played so far, both of which have resulted in victories for the Purple and White. Springfield was defeated 3 to 0, North Hampton high school 17 to 0 and Trinity 3 to 0.

The squad is fortunate in having Mr. Nye for a coach. He has had years of experience in Canada.

This is the second year of hockey for Amherst and it seems as if it would establish itself permanently as a winter sport at the college. Last year the team did finely, losing but four games and tying the strong Technology team in a scoreless game.

The squad has in its make-up many men who gained reputations while schoolboys. Perhaps the best forward on the team is W. F. Washburn, who was a member of the famous Andover hockey team of 1907. He is very small but makes this up in speed and nimbleness. The other forwards are Captain Cornell, Sam Souci and Chapin. These men are good average college hockey players.

The defensive strength is really the team's strongest asset, for with Babcock at goal, Sibley at coverpoint and Bedford at point it is very hard to shoot the puck into the goal. Bedford, who is a big man physically, has all the promise of a wonderful goal tend.

The team as a whole is now pretty well developed and the student body is looking for a string of victories. The schedule is a hard one and includes games with Yale, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Williams.

The Yale game comes Jan. 15 and will be played at Amherst. There is to be a big ice carnival that night and everything points to a gala day. The following men make up the squad:

Captain Cornell, Chapin, Cranshaw, Washburn, Babcock, Bullard, Henry, Fitts, Willets, King, Tilden, Wilcox, Benedict and Fay.

The remainder of the schedule is: Jan. 15, Yale at Amherst; 21, West Point at West Point; 22, Williams at Williams; 26, Harvard at Cambridge; 29, M. A. C. at Amherst.

Feb. 25, Wesleyan at Amherst; 12, Williams at Amherst.

HARVARD CREW MEN PRACTISE

Candidates for both the Harvard varsity and freshman crews are now being given special coaching before the regular work begins. Monday 15 varsity candidates and four freshman crews rowed on the machines and in the tank.

Among the varsity men who reported were Lothrop Withington, captain of the football team, who gave up fall rowing to play on the eleven; R. W. Cutler, who stroked the crew in the Yale race last year; F. C. Bacon, No. 5, who has charge of the freshman candidates, and S. A. Sargent, stroke of last year's four and of the '08 varsity.

A number of the freshman squad were advanced to the tank, which was started Monday for the first time this year. Goodale, G. Cutler, Moffatt, Nelson, Stratton showed the best form. Cutler and Goodale played on the freshman football team.

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AMERICAN CAR VERY POPULAR

Many Thousands of Motorists Are Attending the Big Madison Square Garden Show Every Evening.

NEW YORK—The many automobile followers who are attending the big Madison Square Garden show of the A. L. A. M. are being well repaid for their visits as one of the finest collections of automobiles that has ever been gathered together under the roof of this famous building is now on exhibition. Cars, accessories and trophies are visible in abundance and the way that they are set off in the great building is most artistic and pleasing to the eye.

One of the characteristics of this show is the distinctive American aspect. Every motor car in the exhibition is of American manufacture and it takes a visit to the show to convey to the followers of automobilism the vast strides that have been made in this industry by our home manufacturers during the past 10 years. The idea that two shows of the same nature coming so close together might interfere with the attendance of the last one has proved fallacious, as the great main floor and balconies are fairly beaming with humanity.

Never before have so many automobile manufacturers, agents and enthusiasts gathered together in this city as is the case this week. A great majority of those who came to the big A. M. C. M. show last week have stayed over and those, joined with the ones that came to attend the present one, make a great crowd. They are here from all parts of the country, making one grand reunion of the automobile industry.

Of the material from which the team will be picked several are stars. Though four of last year's team are lost by graduation, men from the class of 1912 will ably take their places. Three pitchers are in college, Cottrell '11, the premier twirler for last year's team, Thomas '12, and Severance '12, the latter of whom experts say is a second Cottrell. These men will be supported behind the bat by Holmes '10, Tasker '10, and Hand '12. Capt. John H. Seully '11, Kling '11, Powers '10 and Raulaub '10 are outfielders of ability for the infield. In the play-off positions many new men will be found and among the candidates for places here are Truax '10, Decker, Clark, Britt, Nash and Schoepflin, all of the 1912 team of last year.

YALE ATHLETES ARE CALLED OUT

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Calls were issued to candidates for all the Yale athletic teams for Monday. The track, baseball and rowing men all reported. Coach Mack ordered the track team candidates out in squads, the first reporting Monday morning on the gymnasium floor. Captain Wodell called the rowing men together in the evening and outlined the season's training plans. Registration is not complete for the 'varsity' squad, but it is expected to reach about 35 candidates for the 'varsity'. Already 90 freshmen have registered. One of the freshmen is Averil Harriman, son of the late Edward H. Harriman.

The freshmen oarsmen were set to work on the rowing machines in the gym. The 'varsity' will begin drill next week. They will devote the time to starting the freshmen right.

Captain Philbin of the baseball team, and Walter Camp, general athletic coach, talked to the baseball men about the season's plans. About 40 were present. The battery candidates were ordered to report today on the gym floor.

BOTH MAY HAVE SAME SCHEDULES

PITTSBURG—The schedule committee of the major baseball leagues will meet in this city Jan. 24 to draw up the schedule for the two circuits, for presentation to the February meetings of each league. The schedule committee of each league will draw up a schedule of its own and the two then hold a joint session for a revision, to avoid conflicting dates. It is this work that will be done here two weeks from today.

At the same time members of the rules committee of the National League will meet here to decide on alterations in the playing code to be recommended to the league. President Barney Dreyfuss of the Pittsburgh club, in announcing these meetings says there is a good chance of the National League disavowing the 168-game schedule decided on at the annual meeting of the league in December, and returning to the 154-game schedule.

BOSTON CLUBS MAKING DEALS

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SYRACUSE PLANS TWO LONG BASEBALL TRIPS THIS SPRING

Will Go West During the Month of May and East in June as Part of Big Schedule.

EXPECT FAST TIME

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The prospects for a strong baseball team this year are very bright at Syracuse University. Although it is yet too early to judge the personnel of the nine it is assured that, if the men keep their work in shape, the Orange will have a speedy squad.

Frank C. Briggs, 10, manager of the team, has instituted an innovation in the schedule by booking more games for 1910 than have been secured for any season since 1905. He has also prepared an eastern trip of nine games with some of the best college teams after the close of the college year. Thirteen games will be played in the Syracuse stadium. The annual western trip will be taken during the month of May and includes two games with Michigan and several other western institutions, which the management refuses to name. This trip will be one week in length.

Among the teams seen in the stadium for the first time will be: Manhattan, Villa Nova and Oberlin, Michigan, Columbia and Colgate will again play in Syracuse this season.

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Manager Briggs announces his schedule, which will contain 25 games when completed, as follows:

April 19, University of Rochester at Syracuse; 28, University of Rochester at Rochester; 29, Manhattan at Syracuse; 30, Hobart at Syracuse.

May 4, Niagara at Syracuse; 7, Colgate at Syracuse; 10 and 11—open for teams in the West; 12, Michigan at Ann Arbor; 15, Michigan Agricultural College at Lansing; 16, Michigan at Ann Arbor; 18—open; 21, Oberlin at Syracuse; 25, Michigan at Syracuse; 27, Michigan at Syracuse; 28, Villa Nova at Syracuse.

June 1, Columbia at New York; 2, Stevens Institute at Hoboken; 3, Villa Nova at Villa Nova; 4, University of Pennsylvania at Franklin Field; 7, Columbia at Syracuse; 8, Yale at New Haven; 9, Tufts at Medford; 10, Holy Cross at Worcester; 11—open.

TWO GOLFERS TIE FOR NEEDED SCORE

PINEHURST, N. C.—One hundred and forty-eight players started in the qualification round of the seventh annual mid-winter golf tournament here Monday, a tie for the gold medal offered for the best score resulting between William C. Freeman of Montclair and W. R. Tuckerman of Chevy Chase at 90 each. George C. Dutton of Oakley, R. M. Purves of Woodland, John J. Hazen and Frank Presbury, both of Fox Hills, were tied for second place.

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Six divisions qualified for match play for the president's, governor's, secretary's, treasurer's, captain's and club cups; there will also be special divisions for those who failed to qualify.

New England is well represented in nearly every division. In the second are J. G. Plummer of Springfield, J. W. Wilcox of Woodland and J. E. Kellogg of Fitchburg; in the third, E. C. Cline of Brae-Burn and H. W. Ormsbee of Fitchburg; in the fourth, George Wright of Vollandston, and in the sixth, R. W. Hovey and D. C. Lowe of Boston. Their scores were: Plummer 96, Wilcox 99, Kellogg 100, Cline 102, Ormsbee 104, Wright 104, Hovey 113, Lowe 114. The scores of those qualifying for the first division:

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W. R. Tuckerman, Chevy Chase, 46 44 90
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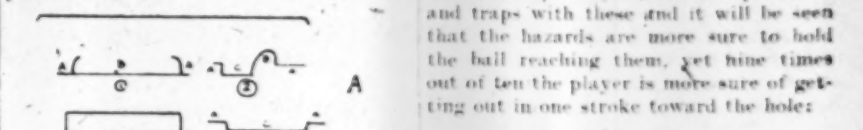
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RATIONAL GOLF

By Jason Rogers.

There is such a wide variety possible in the shape and form of bunkers on golf courses, which after a few months of use will appear as natural, that it seems a pity that any of the old-style square mounds and traps are permitted to exist anywhere. They look so purely artificial as to make the public look upon a golf course as they would a steeplechase track.

Take for instance this form of construction which was so popular a few years back:



No. 1 represents the sand trapped cup bunker, shown in section in No. 2. The

AUTO TROPHY TO TOUR COUNTRY

NEW YORK—It is quite a new idea to send a trophy won in competition on a tour of the country but that is what is going to be done with the \$10,000 Atlanta gold trophy now held by the Rainier Motor Company. So great has been the desire on the part of automobile race enthusiasts all through the eastern states to view this magnificent prize that the holders have agreed to place it on exhibition in a selected list of cities where the feat of the Rainier stock car in winning it in competition against the world with a record of 200 miles in 173 minutes has created most interest.

During the week of the show the

In No. 7 we find the same sort of hazard in slightly different form, as merely indicating the wide variety possible to produce a mound and trap that after a few months' use will look like some perfectly natural upheaval that has been worked into the game.

In No. 9 we have one of the new pot bunkers cut deep into the ground, heavily sand trapped, and yet with moderately sloping sides permitting the golfer to just get out in one shot. The edges are purposely left irregular and rough so as to do away with the appearance of having been cut like a piece of butter or edge of a front lawn.

Still another type of hazards which are preferable where the soil is soggy and the drainage poor is clumps of very rough grass allowed to grow at points where bunkers would otherwise be placed. Irregular mounds of earth on which long grass is permitted to grow forming a sort of whisker effect is an interesting variety just as hard to escape from as a deep pot bunker.

No. 11 indicates the rough pile of earth and the view in section shown in No. 12 indicates the simplicity of the device. A series of these mounds looking like a group of enlarged ant hills provides a particularly odd spot to play out of when the ball is found at that spot.

Many courses are undertrapped, a few of them overtrapped and the majority represent the antique method of treatment which by the application of the modern principles could be easily and cheaply vastly improved.

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very heavy all the forenoon, and it is expected that all the votes will be registered before 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The bitter fight is being waged in wards 13 and 15, and though this is Mr. Fitzgerald's stronghold, Mr. Storrow's supporters are confident that they will greatly reduce the numerical strength of the ex-mayor's adherents.

There have not as yet been any challenges and except for the strongly contested region of wards 13 and 15 South Boston is comparatively quiet for election day.

Candidate Storrow, after making his tour of ward 8 this morning breakfasted and then went to his polling place in ward 11, at Commonwealth avenue and Fairfield street, and cast his ballot. Then he went into ward 6. His appearance in ward 6 was the signal for great demonstrations on the part of the Storrow supporters there, and the Italian residents particularly gave him a great reception.

Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald Is at Home All Morning

Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald remained at his home on Welles avenue, Dorchester, the greater part of the forenoon and received reports from his campaign manager, John F. McDonald. He cast his ballot about 1 o'clock in his precinct in ward 24.

At noon all the candidates reiterated their expressions of confidence in the result of the contest on the ballot today. Edmund Billings, campaign manager for James J. Storrow, said, "In spite of the evidences of violence which have been made already today, the Storrow campaign is holding its lead, and there is no reason in the world why we should not continue to expect a victory at the hands of the voters. Everything looks favorable and I am predicting the election of Mr. Storrow by a good margin."

John F. McDonald, manager for John F. Fitzgerald said: "I have been receiving reports from the various wards since early this morning, and I must say that conditions seem even brighter than we expected. From the reports I have received Mr. Fitzgerald is receiving a very large vote, and he will undoubtedly be the next mayor of Boston."

Candidate Nathaniel H. Taylor gave The Monitor the following statement from his home on West Brookline street this morning: "Everything indicates a very close contest, but I am assured of a sufficient number of votes to make me the next chief executive of the city."

Sherwin L. Cook of Mayor Hibbard's headquarters gave the following statement: "Mayor Hibbard is running very strong in all sections of the city and our confidence which has been expressed in the candidate is being well supported."

Charlestown voters are polling in lively fashion, and many of the precincts report a heavy vote before 7 o'clock this morning. The bulk of the ballots, it was expected would be cast between 11:30 a. m. and 1 p. m., at which time the employees at the Charlestown navy yard, the longshoremen and the wharfmen along the waterfront were free to vote.

Several women have polled in the different precincts for the various school committee candidates, though no preference has yet been manifested.

Deputy Superintendent of Police Philimon D. Warren gave orders to captains of all the station houses this morning to get the returns in early this afternoon. He says that he expects to have the majority vote in at 6 o'clock.

At every precinct when the votes are counted the police officer on duty is given the ballot box and the official count. He brings the box and the papers to his station house and the captain of the station telephones the figures to police headquarters.

Special telephones are now in operation at police headquarters and a representative of the election commissioners will receive advice, and he will keep the commissioners informed. Superintendent Pierce has detailed 200 officers from police headquarters to keep order at the various polling places.

Mr. Storrow arrived at the polling booth of precinct 1, ward 8, shortly after the polls opened, and after remaining for a few minutes, he made a tour of the several other precincts and returned to precinct 1 at 7:30 o'clock.

During his tour of the ward he at no time encountered Martin M. Lomasney, the reputed political leader of the ward, and at all polling places he was accorded a very reasonable reception.

When the polls opened there were two or three vacancies in election officers and for the first time in a great many years the opposition to Martin M. Lomasney secured the election of an official to fill a vacancy. This was in precinct 2, where a Storrow supporter was chosen. In precinct 1 a vacancy had to be filled and the Fitzgerald supporters elected their man.

Precautions Are Taken to Safeguard Men at Polls

Seldom has such acute antagonism between adherents of the candidates been expressed as in this election, and the Storrow supporters have taken every precaution to safeguard their workers at the polling places.

Candidate Storrow, in speaking to the newspaper reporters regarding more police, said: "I found that ward 8 was equipped with only one policeman outside and two officers inside each booth and that this same number of officers was allotted to each station in the ward. Consequently when the officer outside went to breakfast there was no protection to persons going to or leaving the polling stations. But I want an officer on duty all the time, especially in ward

8, where the only trouble I know of occurred this morning."

Complaints were made to police headquarters this morning that representatives of the various mayoralty candidates at several of the polling places were encroaching within 200 feet of the booth. An order was sent to all the captains by Deputy Superintendent Warren to have this stopped at once and to have each officer informed that the law must be rigidly enforced.

Many Autos Are Utilized to Carry Voters to Polls

It is declared that the most strenuous endeavors ever made to get out the vote in Boston, and particularly the voters who seldom take the trouble to cast a ballot at city elections, is being made today. It is estimated that more than 600 vehicles are being employed by the various candidates to transport voters from their homes or their places of business to the voting precincts in the various wards.

The automobile squad of James J. Storrow is the largest concerted movement to get out the "stay at home," and in this capacity there are no less than 400 automobiles employed. Many undergraduates of Harvard University have answered an appeal printed in the Harvard Crimson and tendered the use of their automobiles and their own services.

Last week the Fitzgerald forces were complaining because Mr. Storrow had secured a corner on all the automobiles in the city for his work today, but there seemed to be no difficulty in securing a sufficient number of machines to keep the Fitzgerald workers busy. Where it was not possible to use autos, teams of every description have been pressed into service by the Fitzgerald workers. They started at an early hour this morning to get out the full Fitzgerald vote, and it is fair to predict that comparatively few voters will walk to the polling places today.

In all sections workmen were on hand wearing the red badge of the Storrow workers or the white badge designating the Fitzgerald workers, and these men saw to it that the citizens who emerged from their abodes at an early hour were taken in tow and led to an automobile.

Court Square a Busy Place Long Before Dawn of Day

Long before the city had awakened to the business of the day Court square assumed an extremely busy aspect, with scores of hacks and automobiles, pressed into service by the election commissioners, drawn up in waiting to hurry the ballot boxes and the official ballots away to the 205 precincts of the 25 wards.

A big detail of police was on hand to preserve order and at least one patrolman was sent away with every consignment of ballot boxes and ballots. In the old court house the election commissioners were busy overseeing the despatching of the ballots, but in spite of their early arrangements the last hack did not drive away from Court square until past 5 o'clock, with barely time to reach the polling booth before the time for the opening of the polls at 6 o'clock.

Stirring Scenes Close the Campaign for Mayor

Seldom, if ever, has a campaign in this city closed with such stirring scenes as characterized the contest which culminates in the election today. The candidates making a tour of the 25 wards of the city did not complete their journey until long after midnight. As late as midnight the streets in various sections of the city were alive with enthusiastic supporters of the various candidates, and torchlight parades, consisting of several hundred marchers led by brass bands, were witnessed in the streets.

There was only one untoward incident during the evening. The Storrow party, in three automobiles, ran into the tail-end of the Fitzgerald torchlight procession in South Boston, and a few of the belligerent boys and men in the crowd assaulted the Storrow autos with their torchlights.

Mr. Storrow, who was in the first auto riding in the front with the chauffeur, put up his arm and received a glancing blow. The chauffeur also received a blow on the arm which he put up to guard his head. Herman Hornel, who was riding in the rear seat with Robert Norton, was struck on the nose and Mr. Norton was struck across the shoulders.

Election Board Strikes Twelve From Voting List

The election commissioners, after nearly 11 hours of discussion over the 34 ward 8 registration cases that they have been hearing during the past week, Monday night ordered 12 names stricken entirely from the voting list, four more transferred to other wards, and another marked so that it can't be voted upon today.

None of those stricken from the list were especially prominent in the politics of the ward, Representative Robert K. McKirdy and John F. Corcoran, the two most prominent of those charged with illegal registration, being exonerated.

Six of the persons who were stricken from the list were registered from the Falmouth house at 68 Causeway street, while three were registered from the Berwick house at 20½ Causeway street. The commissioners finally came to an agreement on all of the cases and made the following announcement:

"Names stricken from the voting list—James J. Cashman of 68 Causeway street,

Today's Election as Others See It

Editorials from two New York papers.

The New York Sun.

Boston votes today for four candidates for mayor who were nominated on petition under a charter amendment that contemplates the taking of municipal government out of party politics. The four candidates under the experimental plan are Mayor Hibbard, a Republican; ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, a Democrat, who was defeated by Mr. Hibbard in 1908; James J. Storrow, a Democrat, who was recently president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Nathaniel H. Taylor, another Democrat.

The voter is not supposed to concern himself about the politics of the man of his choice, but to have in mind only the effect upon the welfare of the city that the election of the candidate he favors will have. That candidate, presuming that he will become mayor—and the Boston plan assures at least an air of confidence on the part of the aspirant—consecrates himself, at least by implication, to the task of administering the office uninfluenced by the appeals or interests of party. Thus Mr. Fitzgerald, an intense partisan in the past, is to turn over a new leaf if elected mayor again, and have no political debts to pay or friends to put in office. Mayor Hibbard if not rejected must forget that he has been a Republican. Performance should be easier for Mr. Storrow and Mr. Taylor, neither of whom has occupied the city hall.

In the election today each candidate may count on at least 10,000 votes, because to obtain a place on the ballot he

had to get 10,000 signatures for his petition, and there will be about 70,000 additional votes to divide, assuming that Boston is deeply interested in the election. We should say it was, judging from the amount of political advertising in the newspapers and the personalities that have enlivened the campaign.

No voter in Boston today if he professes independence of party ties can have any excuse for not voting in the excellent spirit of the amendment to the charter; in fact, he is not supposed to know that any candidate has a political past, and conscience calls upon him to vote for the best man. We shall see what we shall see, and when the new mayor is sworn in we shall watch his administration to note whether it is inspired and fortified by devotion to the ideal of non-partisanship—especially if the candidates at the head of the poll proves to be John F. Fitzgerald.

The New York World.

The election in Boston today, the first under the new charter, is an event of national interest. It introduces the "short ballot," which Dr. Eliot and President Woodrow Wilson so strongly urge, and it practically provides for government by commission in a city of much greater size than any that has yet experienced with it.

At the last city election 90 names appeared upon the Boston ballot. It was impossible for a man to inquire into the fitness for office of so many candidates, and the voter was not wholly blame-

worthy who fell back upon the party stamp of approval to aid his choice. This year but few names are printed on the ballot. The government is to be entrusted to the mayor and a small council of nine men; more offices are made appointive and the power of the governor and council is correspondingly great.

By setting a special date for the election, by the arrangement of the names upon the ballot and by an effort to make non-partisan nominations the sponsors of the new charter have tried to free the city election from party influences. It does not appear that they have succeeded. Democrats will generally vote for Fitzgerald and Republicans for Storrow, while Taylor, who claims to be the real Democratic candidate, and Mayor Hibbard, who seeks reelection upon his record, divide between them a large part of the independent vote. In such a four-cornered contest the best man may win, but if he does it may be rather by good luck than good management.

So great are the powers of the new administration that its character will almost mean "kill or cure" for "the 1915 movement." In the mind and will of ardent Bostonians that date has been selected for the emergence into the limelight of fame of a Boston scrubbed clean physically and morally, its commerce encouraged, its health bettered, its schools improved, its graft and waste eliminated. In the movement for "a better Boston" five years from now the new charter and the election today are the strenuous preparation.

Candidates for the Mayoralty of Boston

Three of the Men for Whom Citizens Are Voting Today Under the New Charter.



JAMES J. STORROW.
Indorsed by Citizens Municipal League, Good Government Association and many business men.

James J. Hart, 68 Causeway street; John E. Nugent, 68 Causeway street; John J. O'Brien, 46 Nashua street; Frederick H. Duffy, 68 Causeway street; Homer E. Goodrich, 20½ Causeway street; Charles F. Wright, 20½ Causeway street; John J. Quinn, 40 Billerica street; George C. Wright, 20½ Causeway street; Bernard F. Reagan, 68 Causeway street; John F. Mulhearn, 68 Causeway street.

"Those whose voting places have been transferred—Leovy R. Susman, registered from 10 Allen street, to 169 Howard avenue, ward 16, precinct 7; Abraham J. Goodman, registered from 4 Billerica street, to 81 Pearl street, ward 3, precinct 2; Patrick J. Minehan, registered from 4 Billerica street, to 62 Elm street, ward 3, precinct 1; and William J. Conley, registered from 20½ Causeway street, to the Commonwealth hotel, ward 6, precinct 6. A notation 'sick in hospital' will be placed against the name of Ralph M. Kelly of 20½ Causeway street."

The findings of the board were a big surprise to the Lomasneyites in ward 8, who were confident that the petitioners had not proved anything against more than one of the persons whose registration was alleged to have been illegal.

Candidates Are Downtown to Await the Vote Returns

The four candidates for mayor are downtown to stay until the result of the mayoralty contest is made known. Mr. Storrow will await the result at his political headquarters in the Kimball building on Tremont street. Mr. Fitzgerald, it is understood, will hear the news over the telephone at his office on School street. Mayor Hibbard, it was said this afternoon, will be at the Hotel Bellevue or the Boston City Club on Beacon street. Mr. Taylor plans to watch the figures from his office in the Globe building.

UNION SELLS FLOUR TO MEMBERS.
LA CROSSE, Wis.—The local Trades and Labor Council announces that it has purchased a carload of flour to retail to union members at wholesale prices. Other necessities will be sold in the same way. This plan was adopted in preference to striking for higher wages.



JOHN F. FITZGERALD.
Ex-mayor, who seeks a return to office after having been defeated in the last election.

FAVOR AMENDING STATE TAX LAWS

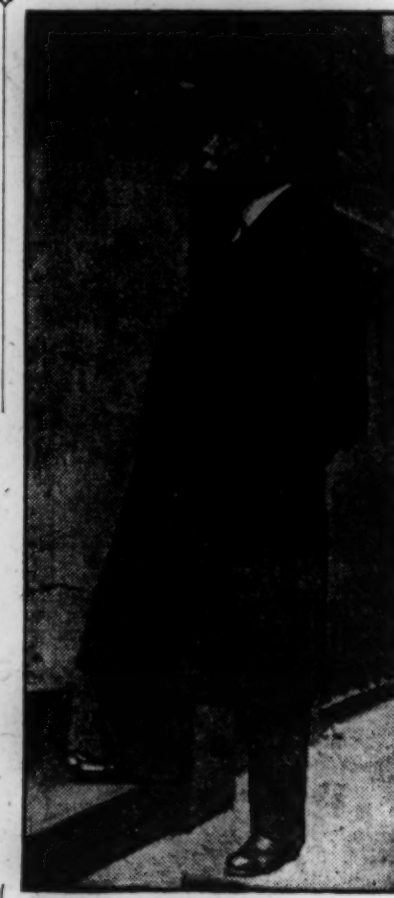
Committee Representing the Manufacturers Replies to Arguments Against Change in Constitution.

The manufacturers and merchants committee on tax laws, of which Arthur H. Lowe of Fitchburg is president and with which many prominent Massachusetts manufacturers are connected, today made public a reply to arguments against amending the state constitution as to tax laws, together with an analysis of the report of the commission on tax laws. The first of these, the reply to arguments, says in part:

"The amendment simply allows the Legislature to classify property for taxation and relieve the present rigid system, which works unjustly and impedes progress."

"The amendment will not bring complexity, but will allow elasticity and encourage development of industries. The amendment practically makes our law like that of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Vermont, New Hampshire and other states like ours in industrial development."

"The Boston Chamber of Commerce, the manufacturers and merchants committee on tax laws, the Massachusetts Forestry Association and the state board of trade favor the amendment because special interests are now getting favored through our present tax system at the expense of the industrial and commercial development of the state."



NATHANIEL H. TAYLOR.
Former secretary to Mayor Hugh O'Brien, who bases his candidacy largely on that experience.

BOSTON ELEVATED CONFIDENT IN SUIT

An official of the Boston Elevated railway, asked today regarding the answer filed in the United States circuit court by the company in the suit of the United States to restrain the company from taking any part of the Cambridge post-office for the Cambridge subway, said that the company believes it has an unassailable right to take the property desired and that the present suit will in no way hinder the completion of the work of tunneling beneath Brattle street as originally planned.

The plans call for a taking of a section of the cellar of the building in which the Cambridge postoffice is located, the official said, a section which lies under the building itself but which projects under the street. The building is not owned by the United States government, he added, and by the terms of the franchise given the elevated for constructing the subway it has a right to take private property by eminent domain if necessary.

PUSH LEWISTOWN ELECTRICAL LINE

LEWISTOWN, Pa.—Line and ground men have arrived here to complete the Hydro Electric Company's line and connect this city with its power plant. This is the company that spent more than \$2,000,000 in harnessing the Juniata river at Warriors ridge and in erecting a power plant. There is little question that the ultimate intention of the company is to supply power throughout the Juniata valley and even beyond.

STRIKE CONFERENCE CALLED.
MINNEAPOLIS—Switchmen, boiler-makers, machinists and freight handlers officials went into secret session in St. Paul today on the strike situation.

WARD INDICATIONS PRESAGE AN UNUSUALLY CLOSE VOTE

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out by those professing to know the sentiment of the ward say that Mr. Storrow will receive about \$200 votes, while a possible 1000 will be divided up among the other candidates.

Ward 11—This is another Storrow ward. Courtenay Guild, chairman of the ward 11 Republican committee, says he believes James J. Storrow will carry ward 11 by an overwhelming majority, getting at least 10 to 1 of the entire vote cast there.

Ward 12—Henry W. Harrington of the Fitzgerald executive committee in ward 12, who has followed politics for many years, says that John F. Fitzgerald will carry this ward by a very small margin and he will be elected mayor with a total vote of 54,000. This ward is Republican and once the home of Mayor Hibbard.

Ward 13—The most of those who will venture an opinion on this ward state that they believe that Candidate Fitzgerald will be elected and will carry this ward. There are sure to be many who disagree with them in this opinion.

Ward 14—This is another ward in which the Fitzgerald sentiment seems to be pretty strong. The followers of Mr. Storrow, however, claim that their candidate will carry the ward by a safe margin, so that the ward is a rather doubtful one.

Ward 15—Opinion on the possibilities of this ward seem to be pretty evenly divided, some claiming that Fitzgerald will carry it by a handsome margin, while others think that Storrow has the much better chance.

Ward 16—Those who are willing to state an opinion as to what is likely to happen in this ward predict a Fitzgerald victory.

Ward 17—Thomas McMann, a Fitzgerald man, says that his candidate will receive 2600 votes in this ward, while Messrs. Storrow and Hibbard will receive about 500 apiece. Ex-Representative William Murphy, a Storrow supporter, concedes a plurality in this ward of 300 to Fitzgerald.

Ward 18—This ward in 1907 gave Mr. Fitzgerald a plurality of 258 votes. Taking this as a basis on which to figure it would seem that he would again carry the ward with a possible higher plurality.

Ward 19—Michael C. Reddish says that Mr. Fitzgerald will undoubtedly carry ward 19 by about 550 votes. His estimate of the vote in the ward was as follows: Fitzgerald 2200, Storrow 1650, Hibbard 125 and Taylor 75. Mr. Reddish is president of the Storrow club, and adds his belief that the entire municipal league slate will be elected.

Ward 20—The sentiment in this ward

seems to be strongly in favor of Mr. Storrow. Those making estimates claim that he will receive a plurality of about 3000 votes out of a total of about 3800.

Ward 21—Mayor Hibbard in 1907 carried this ward by a plurality of 1632. The greater part of this vote is thought likely to be with Mr. Storrow on this occasion. Mr. Fitzgerald receiving about 1400 votes.

Ward 22—The chairmen of the rival organizations in ward 22 are equally confident of the result of the election. Chairman McCarthy of the Fitzgerald forces claims the ward for his candidate, while Patrick Donovan is certain that Mr. Fitzgerald will receive a majority of 1200 votes.

Ward 23—Randall G. Morris, member of the former finance commission, says that he believes Mr. Storrow will carry this ward easily. Others say that he will carry it two to one. The Fitzgerald forces, however, claim a plurality of about 600 votes.

Ward 24—In this ward there is a strong Hibbard sentiment, and the voters here think that the number of ballots Mayor Hibbard will poll will surpass his opponents. J. Frank Scannell, in charge of the Storrow campaign in this ward, says that his candidate will get 5000 votes.

Ward 25—Opinion is divided on the result in ward 25. The Fitzgerald men claim it for their candidate by about 300, and the Storrow adherents say he will win by about that figure.

The plurality margins estimated for Mr. Fitzgerald in the wards generally conceded to him are smaller than those in the wards which are regarded as sure to be carried for Mr. Storrow.

ONE POINT GIVEN OF POSTAL COST

INDIANAPOLIS—Sixty-one big mail sacks full of seeds were received from Washington Monday at the local post-office.

They were sent by Congressman Charles A. Korbly and constituted his allotment of seeds.

Mr. Korbly's secretary will address the thousands of packages which will again enter the Indianapolis postoffice for individual delivery.

"When people complain about the cost of handling the mails," said Assistant Postmaster Shideler, "they should remember that the shipment of seeds by mail in this manner costs a lot of money."

Continuation of Reduction Sale MACULAR PARKER COMPANY

MEN'S DEPARTMENT
Suits, formerly \$20 to \$45.....Now \$15 to \$35
Overcoats, formerly \$25 to \$60.....Now \$20 to \$50
Ullsters, formerly \$25 to \$45.....Now \$20 to \$35

BOYS' DEPARTMENT
Two-piece Suits, formerly \$10 to \$15.....Now \$6 to \$13
Youths' Long Trousers Suits, formerly \$20 to \$35.....Now \$15 to \$25
Reefers, formerly \$7 to \$15.....Now \$5 to \$12
Youths' Overcoats and Ullsters, formerly \$25 to \$40.....Now \$18 to \$30

MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS
Shirts, formerly \$3 and \$3.50.....Now \$2.65
Shirts, formerly \$2.50.....Now \$1.75
Shirts, formerly \$2.....Now \$1.35
Bosom Shirts, formerly \$2 and \$2.50.....Now \$1.00
Neckwear, formerly \$1 and \$1.50.....Now 65c
Neckwear, formerly \$1.50 and \$2.....Now \$1.00
Neckwear, formerly \$2 and \$2.50.....Now \$1.50
German Lisle Half-Hose, formerly 50c.....Now 25c
Pajamas, in variety.....Now \$1.85
Gloves, in variety.....Now \$1.00

400 Washington Street, Boston

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Fur neck pieces and muffs reduced to very low figures.
This handsome Marmot collar, broadcloth shell, special at \$25. Best value in New England fur caps and gloves. Reduced from \$75.00.

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Happenings in New York

ERIE LACKAWANNA ROADS NEAR CLOSE OF CROSSING WORK

New Lines Into Stations in Hoboken Will Increase the Speed of Trains and Add to Safety of Public.

MANHATTAN NOTES

NEW YORK—A highly important piece of work in connection with the improvements affecting New York terminal approaches is now nearly completed. Before spring the finishing touches will have been put upon the work of eliminating the grade crossings on the Erie and Lackawanna railroads outside of the Bergen Hill tunnels which give entrance to the depots in Hoboken. The elimination of no less than 36 of these crossings within the radius of one mile makes possible a decidedly safer and speedier operation of trains on the lines of the roads cooperating in the work.

The actual engineering part of the work has been done under the auspices of the Lackawanna railroad, the Erie hearing its share of the expenses which will total about \$750,000. In the construction great quantities of iron, steel and concrete have been used.

It is reported that the public service commission is making final examination of its plans for an independent subway system for New York, which is to embrace the Broadway-Lexington avenue line in Manhattan with its Bronx connections, the Broadway-Lafayette avenue route and the Fort Hamilton and Coney Island extensions to the South Brooklyn subway in the borough of Brooklyn. Allowing for all possible delays, it is said that contracts for this gigantic subway system will be ready by March.

George McAneny, borough president of Manhattan, however, discourages the idea of any new subways in the immediate future. His idea is to build subways in city districts that want them and are willing to pay for them by assessments on all property within the area that will be benefited.

The abuses which have sprung up in connection with the water supply condemnations are to be checked under the provisions of a bill introduced into the Assembly at the request of the general committee on water supply. It fixes \$15 a day as the compensation of condemnation commissioners, requiring six hours work and putting a margin upon the expense accounts.

That the lakes of Central park are able to supply 22,000 miles of good skating on a single day has been proved. Recently 11,000 skaters were estimated to have taken advantage of the unusually favorable conditions in the park and two miles for each is said to be a fair average. There are three lakes in the park, the upper one having accommodated 5,000; the large central one another 5,000 and the small pond for less ambitious skaters at the south end 1,000 more.

A great steel pier is projected for Long Beach, L. I., that will compare favorably with any pier at Atlantic City or any other coast resort. It will have an extension of over 1,200 feet and will cost about \$70,000. On the structure will be an immense convention hall with a seating capacity of 5,000, an octagon-shaped theater and facilities for other amusements. The contractors are under heavy penalty to have the pier completed by June 1.

Capt. Nat. Rec. of Patchogue, L. I., has built a new ice motor which he claims is the fastest craft in the world. It made a speed of nearly 100 miles an hour when tried out recently on the Great South bay. Its builder says it can make two miles a minute.

The machine is driven by a 30-horsepower engine with a regular automobile transmission. It has sliding gears and is propelled by a stroke wheel. Its steering gear is similar to that of an automobile. The body is 14 feet long and carries three passengers.

The members of the New York naval militia made the best record of all the state organizations that engaged in target practice under the supervision of the navy department last year. The Hoboken (N. J.) naval militia made a higher average per cent of hits than the New Yorkers, but the record of the latter for accuracy in quick firing was better than the record of any other state organization.

UNIQUE DISPLAY ON IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK—There has just been opened at Normal College a public exhibit by the Consumers' league of this city. Facts about prices paid for various articles, such as underwear, artificial flowers, neckwear, lace and embroidery have been collected by an agent of the league who has made a special study of the industries. This exhibit will be open to the general public today, tomorrow and Thursday. On Thursday afternoon a meeting will be held at which members of the Consumers' league and the Child Labor bureau will speak.

MRS. KENNEDY HEADS TAX LIST IN NEW YORK WITH SIX MILLION

NEW YORK—Not Andrew Carnegie but a woman with millions left her by her husband leads the list of personal tax assessments made public in New York Monday. She is Mrs. Emma B. Kennedy, widow of John S. Kennedy, who left \$26,000,000 to charity recently, and she must pay taxes on personal property valued at \$6,000,000. Mr. Carnegie, who topped the list last year, is tied this year for second place with Mrs. Russell Sage at \$5,000,000.

John D. Rockefeller comes third with personal property assessed at \$2,500,000, and in fourth place are Florence Amsinck and Bessie McLeod Leggett, each assessed for \$1,000,000. William K. Vanderbilt is listed for a similar sum; William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., for half that amount.

Col. John Jacob Astor and J. P. Morgan must pay on personal property assessed at \$400,000. Charles M. Schwab is down for \$250,000, Jacob Schiff for \$200,000 and August Belmont and Thomas Ryan for \$100,000 each.

The borrowing capacity of the city of New York is increased \$26,700,951 by the increased valuation of property. The real estate, as listed for taxation, of Greater New York is worth \$6,600,187,322, an increase of \$267,009,518 over last year.

PREDICT BUSY YEAR FOR NEW YORK'S BIG CANAL ENTERPRISE

NEW YORK—It is estimated by the state engineer and surveyor that during the year 1910 \$16,000,000 worth of work on the new state large canal will be completed. Added to this is the statement that the entire length of the canal will be under contract probably by April 1. The enterprise, which is being carried on within the original estimates of \$48,229,467, at a reasonable rate of progress, should be completed by the end of the year 1914.

The question of a suitable canal terminal at New York city has long been agitating the public, the local interests of each locality having given rise to considerable discussion as to the relative merits of various sites. The latest plan comes from the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce for the location of the terminal in the borough of Richmond, where, it claims, are to be found all the essentials of an ideal situation, the bringing together of railroad lines, ocean-going steamship lines, big storage warehouses, etc., thus eliminating unnecessary breaking of bulk, costly lightering and trucking. It would, moreover, give a decided boost to a somewhat backward section of the city.

The plan in detail calls for a break-water 1850 feet long extending along the east shore of the island from Ft. Wadsworth for 30 piers, each 1500 feet long; for warehouses along the shore front and for railroad spurs connecting each pier with the main line that is to connect with the New Jersey terminals of important railroads. The total expense on the project is estimated by the chamber at \$5,924,500.

Experts, while realizing several technical objections to the Staten Island plan, admit that it has many features which recommend themselves, and are of the opinion that it is worthy of consideration, among those presented by other commercial organizations, by the Canal Association of Greater New York.

REALTY COMPANY BUYS TOWN TITLE

NEW YORK—The passing of the title of the entire town of Woodmere, L. I., which has just occurred, surpasses in point of intricacy any similar transaction in local real estate annals. The property comprises 340 acres, together with a number of handsome residences, and was purchased by a realty company.

The history of the property bears typical witness to the general expansive tendency of the city's residential areas. Less than 10 years ago Woodmere was founded out of practically waste land. The arid section has since been transformed into one of high-class homes.

JAPAN'S PEANUT TRADE GROWING

NEW YORK—Virginia peanuts, the old standbys at the corner stand, have a formidable competitor in peanuts which are brought from Japan, according to a firm of statisticians and recognized authorities on the peanut industry which have just issued a circular with reference to the 1909-1910 crop.

"While Japanese peanuts in the hull have more or less figured in competition with Virginia peanuts, our advice are that the price of Japanese goods has advanced along with Virginians, and that therefore few will come to this country this season," says the circular.

GOVERNOR URGES WAR MANEUVERS

ALBANY, N. Y.—Governor Hughes has approved the recommendation of Adj. Gen. Nelson H. Henry and Major-General Fox to accept the invitation of the war department for state troops to take part in the war maneuvers to be held at the army camp at Pine Plains this year. It is proposed to leave each of the organizations spend 10 days at the camp.

GERMAN POTASH EMBASSY FAILS

NEW YORK—Representatives of the German Kali syndicate, who came to this country to confer with American interests with the hope of reaching a working agreement concerning the potash industry in Germany, where Americans recently gained a foothold, breaking a monopoly will leave New York tomorrow, having failed in their mission.

WHAT ARE POWERS OF A MAYOR UNDER THE NEW CHARTER?

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by the council in 60 days, it is in force. If rejected, it may again be submitted. The city council may originate an ordinance or loan order, may reduce or reject any item in a loan, or amend an ordinance, subject to the mayor's approval.

Loans Shall Originate Solely With the Mayor

Section 3 provides that all appropriations other than loans shall originate solely with the mayor, including a budget for current expenses. While the council may reduce or reject any item, it may not increase an item or a total.

Section 4 provides that all appropriations, ordinances, orders, resolutions or votes of the council (except those relating to its own internal affairs) shall be void unless the mayor approves or retains the same; that is, it confers upon him the power of absolute veto, which exactly reverses the theory and practice of legislation in this country.

By section 5 the mayor (and council) may by ordinance reorganize, consolidate or abolish departments, transfer duties and appropriations from one to another, establish new ones, alter or abolish salaries. (Certain departments are excepted. [We have seen by section 2 the mayor may recommend ordinances, and by section 4 his disapproval is final.] Sections 6 to 8 relate to official business and contracts.

Section 9 provides that all heads of departments and municipal boards (except school committee and officials appointed by the governor) and including street commissioners, who were formerly elected by popular vote, shall be appointed by the mayor. They are not to be confirmed by the council, but by the civil service commission.

Sections 11-13 are complementary of section 10.

Mayor May Remove Heads of Departments at Will

Section 14 provides that the mayor may remove heads of departments at his pleasure, filing a written statement of his reasons therefor.

Section 27 treats of "outline."

Section 28 confers upon the street commissioners the following powers: As to naming of streets, plating or removal of trees and the various permits—expediting, storage of gasoline, powder, etc., use of public ways, including location of conduits, poles, posts, all subject to approval by the mayor. We have seen that the street commissioners are his appointees.

Section 31 relates to eminent domain, or other land purchase by the street commissioners for the use of city departments, subject to the mayor's approval. The duties of the finance commission are purely advisory.

The expenditures of Boston in 1908 exclusive of debt redemption and temporary loans, were over \$33,000,000. Its population in 1905 was 595,000. The intricate machinery of this vast corporation is thus at the command of a chief whose responsibility is only matched by commissions or boards of several, and that only in cities the size of Des Moines or Galveston.

GOVERNOR HUGHES DEFINES VALUE OF POLITICAL PARTIES

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—The third of the series of Dodge lectures before Yale University on "Responsibilities of Citizenship" was delivered by Governor Hughes of New York in Lamson lyceum Monday night.

Governor Hughes said in part: "The continued effectiveness of the great parties marks the recognition of the undesirability of the breaking up of party activities into those of small and ineffective groups, and a practical tendency to exercise the party function essential to the working of our government in a manner consistent with the concentration of controversy and the achievement substantially of majority rule."

"In my opinion participation in the work of one of the great parties offers an opportunity for service to the community greater than that afforded by political activity outside them. In saying this I do not underestimate the public benefit derived from the action of those who are members of small parties or are entirely independent. Small parties by directing attention to matters of principle, sometimes by holding the balance of power in particular communities, exert an influence upon the action of great parties, even though they may not achieve directly any important success."

HONOR GOVERNOR'S SECRETARY.

William A. Murphy, the newly appointed secretary of Governor Draper, was the recipient of a silver loving cup presented to him by his former associates, the press representatives at the State House, late Monday.

SALEM'S MAYOR ORDERS RINK. Mayor Arthur Howard of Salem, according to his ante-election promise, has given orders for the making of a skating rink on the common, for which he will pay the bill personally.

Seven Lots of Laces At 1/4 to 1/2 of Former Prices

The Following List Speaks for Itself:

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| -25c to 37c Fine Val Edges and Insertions; 10,000 yards; 3 to 5 ins. wide, 9c | 50c to 1.00 Fine White Baby Irish Bands, 2 to 4 inches wide..... 39c |
| 39c White Venise Bands 3 inches wide..... 15c | 50c to 75c Black Chantilly Edges and Insertions..... 29c |
| 1.00 White and Ecru Spotted Nets, 42 inches wide..... 59c | 1.00 to 2.00 Real Princess Laces and Insertions, in black only..... 49c |
| 20.00 Real Irish Allover Lace, 18 inches wide, a yard..... 10.50 | |

Jordan Marsh Company

THOUSANDS FOR FITZGERALD MAKE RESULT UNCERTAIN FOR STORROW SAYS NEWS BUREAU

People who have canvassed the situation realize that James J. Storrow is up against a pretty stiff proposition in the election today, says the Boston News Bureau.

Everybody concedes that Fitzgerald starts with 35,000 sure votes out of probably 92,000, and of these 35,000 votes almost one half are connected directly or indirectly with the city payroll.

Ward 11 has no special influence upon the city election in a Democratic city of the character and composition of the city of Boston. With four candidates in the field it has been conceded from the beginning that Storrow could do no more than scratch in by a narrow margin, if elected.

Mr. Fitzgerald is conceded to have an overwhelming vote in South Boston and Charlestown. Mr. Storrow's best chances of reducing the Fitzgerald vote are in East Boston. Whatever following Mr. Hibbard has should show in Dorchester and Roxbury.

The returns from East Boston and Roxbury and Dorchester should be most closely scanned for early indications as to the possible success of Mr. Storrow.

We append a bulletin of election statistics which one may pocket for reference this evening:

| FOR MAYOR—1909. | | | |
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| Wards. | D. | R. | Plur. |
| 1..... | 1535 | 1885 | H. 350 |
| 2..... | 1803 | 997 | F. 1136 |
| 3..... | 1023 | 289 | R. 1034 |
| 4..... | 1050 | 265 | F. 345 |
| 5..... | 1289 | 329 | F. 740 |
| 6..... | 1402 | 787 | F. 616 |
| 7..... | 811 | 456 | F. 355 |
| 8..... | 1090 | 841 | F. 858 |
| 9..... | 1274 | 925 | F. 616 |
| 10..... | 572 | 2141 | H. 1569 |
| 11..... | 527 | 2401 | H. 1569 |
| 12..... | 1048 | 1537 | H. 540 |
| 13..... | 1781 | 412 | F. 1369 |
| 14..... | 1775 | 1377 | F. 398 |
| 15..... | 1648 | 936 | H. 712 |
| 16..... | 1503 | 1534 | H. 49 |
| 17..... | 1907 | 1031 | F. 876 |
| 18..... | 1323 | 1062 | F. 258 |
| 19..... | 2298 | 1215 | H. 1023 |
| 20..... | 2578 | 4600 | H. 2292 |
| 21..... | 1180 | 2830 | H. 1653 |
| 22..... | 1311 | 2156 | H. 845 |
| 23..... | 1241 | 2319 | H. 1078 |
| 24..... | 1573 | 2534 | H. 1551 |
| 25..... | 1293 | 1971 | H. 678 |

TOTAL FOR 1909.

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|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Registered..... | 111,430 |
| Total vote..... | 89,871 |
| Fitzgerald, Democrat..... | 35,935 |
| Hibbard, Republican..... | 38,112 |
| Coulthurst, Independence League..... | 15,811 |
| Hibbard's plurality..... | 2,177 |

FOR GOVERNOR—1909.

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Total vote of Boston..... | 80,416 |
| Draper, Republican..... | 28,542 |
| Valley, Democrat..... | 47,629 |
| Valley's plurality..... | 19,086 |

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN BOSTON—1909.

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|----------------------------|--------|
| Hill, Republican..... | 35,336 |
| Pelletier, Democrat..... | 38,547 |
| Pelletier's plurality..... | 3,211 |

FOR CHARTER AMENDMENTS—1909.

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|----------------------------|---------|
| Plan 1..... | 35,270 |
| Plan 2..... | 39,179 |
| Majority for plan..... | 2,904 |
| Registration for 1910..... | 112,071 |

DIFFERENTIAL RATE CONFERENCE TO AID BOSTON IS ON TODAY

NEW YORK—Representatives of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and a committee representing the trade interests of Philadelphia are due in this city today for a conference on railway rates which will be held Wednesday. The object of the conference is to adjust the differential freight rates that may lead to an ending of the westbound import war and the establishment of peace between Boston and Baltimore.

It was not until Boston discovered that Baltimore was securing more import business than New England and Philadelphia combined that commercial interests there made a successful move to wipe out the differential between those ports. Investigation has shown that Baltimore today handles more westbound import freight than New York.

In outdistancing New York the Maryland city has exceeded the business of Philadelphia and Boston combined. This phenomenal increase is attributed solely to the lower differential rates enjoyed by Baltimore and which the Philadelphia committee has insisted should be wiped out. To effect this it is believed Philadelphia will have to agree to allow New York to take the same rates as Boston on import business, provided Philadelphia is given the Baltimore rates. Such an adjustment would place New York and Boston on a 1 cent higher scale than Philadelphia and Baltimore, but would have the effect of enabling Philadelphians to secure a fair share of the import business now going to Baltimore.

ROAD ABOLISHES GRADE CROSSINGS

PHILADELPHIA—Officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company are proud of the record which the company holds for the elimination of grade crossings during the first decade of the present century. "On all lines east of Pittsburgh and Erie the Pennsylvania system has eliminated 673 grade crossings in 10 years."

YEARS REQUIRED TO FILL AQUARIUM

Fish Commissioner Thinks a Museum Would Be Feasible in South Boston and a Monument to Industry.

The New England fish exchange has adopted resolutions favoring an aquarium at Marine park, South Boston, to be paid for in part by the Parkman fund. Chairman George W. Field of the Massachusetts fish and game commission believes that it would take several years thoroughly to equip an aquarium but that Boston would start with the experience gained at the New York, Naples, Berlin, Hamburg, Brighton and Plymouth aquariums.

Mr. Field considers the cooperation of the interests of the aquarium and the fishing industry of New England which handles \$10,000,000 of fish annually would be most satisfactory and that the proposed transfer of the fishing fleet to South Boston as well as the proposed government fish hatchery and culture station at City Point bespeak a fine sight-seeing group.

A fish museum, proposes Mr. Field, might supplement the aquarium and contain exhibits of the industry.

WANT TO APPOINT MILK COMMISSION

FITCHBURG, Mass.—The local milkmen's association has drafted a bill which will be introduced in the Legislature in a few days to take away the power now vested in boards of health and place it in the hands of a commission of three, appointed by the mayors of cities and the selectmen of towns.

RADCLIFFE GIRLS MAKE A REPORT

The Radcliffe College Christian Association held a meeting Monday afternoon to listen to the reports on the student volunteers convention held at Rochester, N. Y., the last week of December. The delegates from Radcliffe were Miss Jessie Maxwell 1911, Miss Esther Sidelinger 1912, Miss Lucy Phinney 1913 and Miss Florence Brigham, a graduate.

Banking for Women

A large proportion of the depositors at our Temple Place branch office are women, who find it very convenient to have banking facilities in the immediate vicinity of the stores where they do most of their shopping. A great many of these depositors are residents of towns outside of Boston, who, by cashing checks on their arrival in the shopping district, avoid almost all risk of loss through theft or carelessness in cars and streets.

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News of the Playhouses

AT BOSTON THEATERS

Mr. Dockstader floats over the audience in his aeroplane and dispenses his up-to-date witticisms and local hits. In an Arctic scene he delivers a comic lecture on the north pole. His whole act is enjoyable and his topical song at the close scored a hit.

Mr. Hamd's troupe of acrobats are excellent. There are 10 in all and they received much well-deserved applause. The performance concludes with a stirring march number, "The Human Flag," which is unique and effective. The costumes and settings are attractive and the performance moves with dash and vigor.

Keith's Denman Thompson in the part of Joshua Whitcomb still finds favor at Keith's in his well-acted parts of the numerous experiences of a typical New England farmer. His audience seems spellbound whenever he appears behind the footlights and the repeated cheers of his admirers show that he has lost none of his popularity that he attained in the famous old play entitled "The Old Homestead."

Miss Grace Emmett comes next to "Joshua" in a comic sketch called "Mrs. Murphy's Second Husband," although Dan Ryan is an excellent actor in the part of a stepfather. Misses Maud and Gladys Finney, advertised as the champion lady swimmers show great skill in their act, some of which consists of eating candy, drinking from a bottle and picking up 57 coins with their teeth, all of which is done beneath the surface of the water. Taken all together, the vaudeville presented this week is enough to satisfy the most exacting, for even the small acts are as interesting as the chief ones.

The entertainment that frames this wonderful Dane (there were none such as he in Hamlet's court, else he could not have been melancholy) is called "The Silver Star." It was made by Harry B. Smith. The frame is a serviceable, plodding one made of familiar and well-liked materials. The plot has to do with the search of a wealthy man for his long-lost daughter who is to be recognized by a silver star she wore when as an infant she disappeared.

The search proceeds from a Fifth avenue New York mansion to a bit of park on the banks of the Thames near London and pauses by the way at the Opera, Paris. Here the costume and scenic effects are gorgeous. The massive staircase is set off with great arches of glittering crystal, and the silks and satins of the masqueraders hint at the attire of every people on the globe. There was much cheerful music, and lively maneuvering by a large and well-drilled company.

Then there are amusing songs with the funny Miss Janvier to sing them in ludicrous falsetto. The comical Bickel and Watson wrestle with the English language and bring tears of laughter from the spectators by their clowning and their musical burlesques performed on a cartoon violin and a battered slide trombone. These, with the Hebrew humor of Barney Bernard, the limber dancing of Miss Nellie McCoy and the sweet singing of Miss Ann Tasker kept the hall a-rolling between Mlle. Genee's dances.

And how she danced. She performed impossible things, at one time dancing backward up a steep incline on her toes. Always there played about her mouth a smile that was as austere as it was roguish. There is no need to speak when toes are so eloquent and every finger has an individuality. How a Genee would have delighted Shakespeare, who had only loutish boys with piping voices to make earthly his glorious imaginings. Genee is spirituelle. Genee is saucy. She is Shakespeare's Puck and Ariel in one.

Cast of "The Silver Star":

Prof. Alonzo Dingelblatz, George Bickel, Dr. Algernon Hornblower, Harry Watson 2d, Mr. Wiseheimer, Barney Bernard, Ernest Connor, Lee Harrison, Kofitschsky, F. Stanton Heck, Ned Brandon, Mortimer Weldon, Traddles, O. C. Mack, The Colonel, F. H. Stanton, The Sergeant, J. H. Purcell, Mrs. Vera Willing, Emma Janvier, Mary Anne, Nellie McCoy, Rosa, Ida Gabrielle, Viola, Ann Tasker, The Christmas Fairy, Mlle. Genee.

Dockstader's Minstrels.

Lew Dockstader and his minstrels appeared at the Globe theater on Monday night. Mr. Dockstader does not change the general outline of his productions, but he keeps them up-to-date with new topics each season. Aeroplanes and Arctic explorers are his new themes this year.

The company has many excellent entertainers. Finely rendered vocal numbers, pictorial group dancing and clever specialties are the chief features of the show.

The first part revealed the sooty troubadours assembled before the veranda of the Possum Aero Club. They sing and jest in the usual manner. W. H. Hallett was the interlocutor, while Eddie Mazier and Neil O'Brien took care of the ends. The best ballads were Mr. Argall's "My Love Is Greater Than the World," and Mr. Thompson's "When You and I Were Young, Maggie." Mr. Mazier sang and danced his way through "Cubana Glide" to much applause, and Mr. O'Brien received many encores for his "Smile, Simply Smile."

In part two the club starts on a voyage of discovery which ranges from the equator to the pole. It includes a funny sketch entitled "Fighting the Flames," with Neil O'Brien as "the bravest fireman on earth." The scene is the interior of the Uganda fire house, with its two solitary attendants. Mr. O'Brien with his assistants kept the audience in a constant roar with his burlesque fire drill.

The two best dancing numbers are the "Bamboo Gambola" and the "Sahara Belle." Both of these ensembles have pictorial backgrounds, and the clog dancing of the 12 jockeys is excellent.

Lean and Miss Florence Holbrook in the leading roles are giving great pleasure to their hearers with the original songs in which they appeared in vaudeville. The piece itself has a much stronger action than is customary to such pieces, for the entire second act is a one-act farce in itself.

"Dick Whittington" at the Majestic provides the sort of entertainment that is to be looked for in a typical Drury Lane pantomime. The spectacular features are on the usual elaborate scale, and the company is composed of talented individuals such as Miss Louise Dresser, Miss Kate Elinore and Harry Clark.

John Craig is now playing the part of Harry Bellmoure in "1915" at the Castle Square. All the other parts are in the hands of the favorites who originated them. The piece goes with a snap and sparkle as a result of the numerous performances. The music is pretty and staging and costume show unusual care. Miss Mary Young's singing of "Daddy" and "The Boston Girl" is especially pleasing.

Announcements.

Bernstein's new drama, "Israel," will have its first presentation in Boston at the Hollis street theater next Monday evening. Edwin Arden, Graham Browne and Miss Constance Collier act the chief parts.

Thursday afternoon, Jan. 20, a benefit performance will be given at the Hollis Street theater by the Massachusetts Society, Daughters of the Revolution, in aid of the sailors' monument to be erected at Annapolis.

Next week at the Grand Opera house the attraction will be the favorite actor, Thomas Er Sheu, in his repertoire. He opens in his new play, "The Counsel for the Defense."

AT NEW YORK THEATERS.

"The Old Town" Opens the New Globe. Charles Dillingham's beautiful and comfortable new theater, the Globe, was opened Monday evening by Montgomery and Stone in "The Old Town," a musical comedy by George Ade and Gustave Luder. The amusing stars are represented as two country youths who leave "the old town" and start to win their fortune. What they encounter on the alleged thorny path to success yields numerous "comedy" situations for the comedians and a lot of amusement for the audience.

Included in the company supporting the stars are Allene Crater, Ethel Johnson, Claude Gillingwater, Flo and May Hengler, W. J. McCarthy, John Hendricks, Claude Cooper and Lyndon Law. The chorus has 70 members. Arthur Pryor, leader of Pryor's Band, has been especially engaged to direct the orchestra, which is composed of members of his organization.

"The Barrier."

A melodrama of life in Alaska was presented at the New Amsterdam Monday evening in "The Barrier," a stage version of Rex Beach's novel of the same name made by Eugene Presbrey. The play is in four acts. The first shows the storeroom of John Gale's trading post, in Flambeau-on-the-Yukon. The action begins with the completion of the soldiers' barracks at Flambeau and the coming of law into the territory. The love of Necia, the presumed half-breed daughter of Gale, for Lieutenant Burrell is brought out early in the play. The struggle between the various characters to win the girl, Gale's struggles with his opponents, and the general conflict between the disorder of the early mining camp and the representatives of legal rights runs through the four acts, with the conclusion that brings Necia and Burrell together.

Theodore Roberts gives a powerful impersonation of the leading character of John Gale. The company supporting him includes Miss Florence Rockwell, James Durkin, Alphonse Ethier, W. S. Hart, John Pierson, Guinio Scotti, J. H. Greene, Abigail Marshall, and Harold and Rosalind Ziegler.

New York Notes.

Miss Annie Russell appeared at the New Theater Monday evening as Lady Teazle in "The School for Scandal," replacing Miss Grace George, who has gone on tour.

A special performance of "Love in Idleness" will be given next Friday afternoon at the Hackett theater.

Miss Maude Adams has entered upon her last week at the Empire in "What Every Woman Knows." Her present engagement has been in the nature of a triumph.

"The Dollar Princess" has passed its one hundred and fiftieth performance at the Knickerbocker.

GERMAN OPEN AIR THEATERS.

Inasmuch as during the past two years this country has been awakened to the possibilities of the open air theater, it might be of interest to the reader to know what is being done in this direction in Germany, where they have brought this form of art to the highest stage of development yet reached; where "Die Freilicht-Bühne" (literally, "The Free Light Stage") has become a very prominent part of the dramatic art, says A. Ronald Andrews in the Prompt Book, the monthly organ of the American Dramatic Guild.

Such performances as had been given in this country up to the time of Miss Maude Adams' splendid presentation of "Jeanne d'Arc" at the Harvard Stadium last spring, were, for the most part, quite unnoticed outside of their own locality; that is with the possible excep-

tion of "The Hamadryads," which given in one of nature's most wonderful settings, a grove of those monster trees whose size has carried their fame to the very corners of the earth, created more or less general interest. I may say that this interest was but casual, for it was not until the widely heralded Stadium performance had taken place that the Americans as a body took serious note of the open-air performance.

But after all is said, we are not so far behind, for it was only seven years ago that the first regular open air theater was opened to the public in Germany. This was the theater in Thale, in the Harz mountains. During the past summer two more of these theaters were opened—namely, the Hartenstein open air theater, near Lucerne (German Switzerland), and the one in Nerothal, near Wiesbaden. I purposely make no mention of the plays held in different sections of the Tyrol, in the highland parts of Bavaria, and in some of the villages of Bohemia, though, to be sure, they, together with the passion play at Oberammergau, are the legitimate beginnings of the present movement.

As representative of this form of art let us take the theater in Hartenstein. Some of the plays produced there last summer were: Hauptmann's "The Sunken Bell," Heinrich von Kleist's "Hermannschlacht," Sudermann's "Teje," Hebbel's "Gyges and His Ring," also some of the better known works of Shakespeare, Ibsen and Goethe. In that theater, too, is rather unique, in that farce is sometimes presented. Add to these works of some of the modern German writers, a few of whom are writing especially for this form, and you have a representative repertoire. One of these plays was the opening attraction of the theater in Nerothal. This was "Die Maibräut" (The May Bride), by Ernst von Wolzogen, who was the first to write directly for the open air theater. As his text he used legendary and mythological revelations of Guido von List, well known in the lore of Germany, and built a symbolic drama of great strength. He used the very elements of tragedy and comedy with choruses, dances, processions, and especially composed music by Herr Rothert, the whole giving the piece an almost operatic beauty.

Though von Wolzogen is credited with being the first of these writers, there are several others who at earlier dates have written with the same sort of production in view, among the more prominent of whom of Friedrich Lieland, who wrote "Wieland der Schmied" for the open air, and J. V. Widmann, whose tragedy "Oenone" was also written for the same kind of setting. Other plays of much less strength and prominence were with these two considered by the majority as dramas. Franz Grillparzer is another writer in the same school as von Wolzogen, and his work is much more frequently presented. His fine rhetoric satisfies the German demand for that which is more or less bombastic, and he knows every phase of the drama, tragedy, comedy and farce. His "Sappho," "Media" and "Hero and Leander" are all in the Hartenstein repertoire, with others equally depressing to the average American. Schiller's "Bride of Messina," Goethe's "Torquato Tasso" and "Iphigenia in Tauris," Hebbel's "Death of Empedocles," Sophocles' "Oedipus," not to mention more Ibsen. A list such as this put up on the boards as a repertoire at an American house would, I am sure, give our musical comedy, loving public a severe attack of shivers.

As to the theater itself, Hartenstein's, in the Alps, is perhaps one of the best. A stage of green sward, large chestnut trees giving a soft shade, a statue or two, a little white marble temple and small log hut are the stock-in-trade for scenery, and what more could one want, with such a backing as the Alps, with such lighting as the pure sunlight breaking through the branches which make a natural canopy and the sense of appreciation which comes to us all when nature gets even a small hold on our minds.

The leading German artists are often on the cast of these performances, and why not? This is infinitely better than the "vacation," which most of our actors take during the summer. And it is a certainty that should the open-air performance become a regular thing in this country there will be no trouble in obtaining those who would enjoy a summer's work of the kind.

In closing I must mention the work of Ben Greet and his players, who have done much to prepare us for the real outdoor play. Mr. Greet is well known all over the country, and his work of preparation will, I hope, soon bear its fruits.

YALE CLASS CUTS FLOWER EXPENSE
NEW HAVEN, Conn.—The promenade committee of the present junior class at Yale has adopted a plan by which the heavy expense of flowers at the promenade for chaperones and partners will be abolished.

When the juniors applied Monday for tickets to the promenade, they were forced to sign a pledge that they would give no flowers; otherwise, they were not allowed to get the tickets. It is estimated that the saving to each member attending the junior promenade will average about \$15.

TRACK AROUND DRYDOCK.
A railroad track around drydock No. 2 at the Boston navy yard is to be built, the money having been appropriated. The specifications have been approved and the bureau of yards and docks will open bids Jan. 29.

YOUNG HEIRESS IS FOUND.
CHICAGO—Roberta Buist De Janon, the young heiress who disappeared recently from her home in Philadelphia, was found Monday night at 88 Superior street in this city.

Musical Events in Boston

WAGNER'S "Tristan and Isolde"

could as well be called an opera in three duets as an opera in three acts. The drama deals with two characters, both of equal importance, and the duet principle of musical treatment is consistently used as being the most appropriate for carrying on the action.

The main elements in the vocal equipment of the opera are the tenor voice of Tristan and the soprano voice of Isolde, which are heard together in the great second act, the contralto of Brangana which is heard with the soprano in the first act, and the baritone of Kurwenal which is heard with the tenor in the third act. The composer had to abandon the duet principle at certain points for the sake of his plot, and he added the bass of King Mark and the baritone of Melot as secondary elements in his vocal scheme. Then to fix the place of events he used on occasion the voices of sailors and the voice of a shepherd.

A simple scheme of voices and characters, then, was that which Wagner used for his drama built on the love of Tristan and Isolde. To his two chief characters he added Isolde's attendant, Brangana, and Tristan's squire, Kurwenal. These were almost sufficient for his purpose; he used only as many more of his plot and for the plausibility of his drama as to time and place.

The work as presented under the musical direction of Arturo Toscanini Monday night at the opening of the Metropolitan season in the Boston opera house had the following cast:

Tristan.....Carl Burrian
King Mark.....Robert Blass
Isolde.....Olive Fremstad
Kurwenal.....Pasquale Amato
Melot.....Adolf Muhlmann
Brangana.....Florence Wickham
A Shepherd.....Albert Reiss
The Steersman.....Julius Bayer
Voice of a Sailor.....Glenn Hall

It would not be well considered criticism to discuss the singing of Mme. Fremstad, Miss Wickham, Messrs. Burrian and Amato apart from Mr. Toscanini's conducting. The four artists in the leading roles were not appearing as opera singers in the usual sense; they were all a part of a musical picture, and no one of them at any time sang in the solo way. The music was wholly under the guidance of Mr. Toscanini, and Mme. Fremstad's singing was no more independent of the conductor than was the playing of the violinists.



CARL BURRIAN AS PARSIFAL.

The Tristan of Monday evening; he will appear as Parsifal at the Saturday matinee.

Some persons would say that the orchestral tone was larger than was necessary, but nobody could deny that the Fremstad tone and the Burrian tone always sounded clearly in the midst of it. Mr. Toscanini brought out his largest volume of tone from that department of the orchestra against which the voice has the best chance to be heard, the department of the strings. He subdued his wood wind and brass choirs and gave the Wagnerian orchestra a duller color than it has had under German conductors, either in their operatic or their concert performances.

Wherever Mr. Toscanini's methods of conducting are followed opera will be emancipated from the dominance of the prima donna, the popular tenor and even from the talented actress. This Italian who is an authority on the Wagnerian opera, believes that the direction of orchestral playing, of singing and of stage action, too, all belong to the conductor.

Artists who perform under the guidance of men like Toscanini will be the gainers for accepting the new method; for the effectiveness of their work will

increase when it becomes coordinated with that of their associate artists and when it is made to serve the best interpretative ends of the drama as a whole.

There is no doubt that Toscanini gives Wagner's music an Italian flavor. He will not stop to emphasize every new color combination, he is not too careful to find dramatic significance for every thematic detail. He phrases the music broadly, makes it rhythmical and melodious.

GISELA WEBER RECITAL.

Mrs. Gisela Weber, violinist, assisted by Leo Schultz, cellist; Mrs. Holmes-Thomas, pianist; Miss Aline Fredin, accompanist, gave the following program Monday afternoon in Steiner hall: Sonata, D major, Handel; "La Folia" (variations series), Corelli; "Romance," Sveridoff; air, Bach; menuet, Mozart; trio, D minor, Mendelssohn. Miss Fredin took the place of Georg Falkenstein, announced as accompanist, acquitting herself well.

The program was not striking in contrast; nor was it that of the mere technician. But Mrs. Weber chose her numbers wisely, for at present her forte is essentially tone production and this program, worthy and serious, showed her to possess thoughts, temperament and interpretative ability. While it was a relief to hear no Paganini number, or other toilsome anthology compiled by music mechanics to astonish and confound, yet further technical proficiency would help the undoubted talents of yesterday's performer. Sad commentary on the vanity of violinists that when they do become proficient in technique, so as to render real music well, they then play technique and nothing else, much as if a singer were to render the eccentric vocal exercises of Bonaldi or Garcia (in three volumes) instead of singing us songs. Now, all violinists should know and be capable of Paganini's fireworks and their ilk; but should never under any circumstances get up to play them.

Mrs. Weber in the Handel sonata was troubled with a gooped and faulty attack and her legato suffered accordingly. She improved as the concert progressed and the Corelli number and the beautiful "Romance" of Sveridoff showed remarkable capabilities. Her tone is powerful and rich, and when the legato is neater and the attack more sure her performance should give great pleasure. The Mendelssohn trio was rather messy as ensemble, but there was individual playing of great beauty. Mr. Schultz gave pleasure and the pianist made her instrument sing.

ITALIAN KING VICTOR TO TOUR EUROPE TO LIMIT ARMAMENTS

ROME—In an effort to secure support for his plan for international limitation of armaments, it is semi-officially announced today that King Victor of Italy has negotiations pending for conferences with all important European rulers during next spring and summer.

King Victor is tolerably sure he will succeed, his recent meeting with a deputation from the parliamentary peace committee having been marked by the significant royal utterance that he had by no means abandoned his "armament limitation" program and was, on the contrary, still interesting the heads of the European governments.

Italy is probably the heaviest sufferer of any country in the world from the race for greater navies. Unlike the very small nations which have absolutely no hope of competing successfully with their greater rivals, it is compelled to strain every resource toward equality with the latter. The slenderness of its resources makes such efforts impossible without the imposition of enormous burdens upon the people.

TAIL OF HALLEY'S COMET SHOWING

A straight and slender tail has been discovered trailing behind the nucleus of Halley's comet according to a despatch received at the Harvard observatory today from Prof. E. B. Frost of the Yerkes observatory. The tail is a faint one as yet about 10 minutes in length and at an angle of 60 degrees.

Halley's comet may now be seen through small telescopes, as a sort of blur, like a faint nebula. The tail, however, is too faint to be caught by anything except a highly sensitized photographic plate. The comet is in the western sky in the early evening, but later in the week the moon will probably become too bright to permit a sight of the celestial visitor.

HAMILTON FARE PETITION UP.

The Massachusetts board of railroad commissioners gave a hearing early today on the petition of the selectmen of Hamilton for a readjustment of fares on the Gloucester division of the Boston & Northern Street Railway Company. The petitioners ask for a 5-cent fare through the town limits and for a 5-cent fare to Essex, Ipswich and Beverly.

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DELAY SELECTION OF ORCHARDS FOR WORK BY EXPERTS

HARRISBURG, Pa.—The 1000 model orchards selected for supervision by the commonwealth's agriculturalists will be announced by the division of economic zoology of the department of agriculture in about two weeks, following a session of the state board of agriculture here. Economic Zoologist H. A. Surface will follow the advice of the members of the state board in selecting the orchards.

The model orchard plan of work is attracting attention all over the country. It is the evolution of the original field work of the division of economic zoology, which was started about half a dozen years ago. From one man the force of field workers has been increased to 30. The plan whereby these men worked in private orchards was not entirely satisfactory and arrangements were made to place one or two orchards in a county under the direct supervision and care of the field men of the division, the latter doing the work in order to prove the truth of their principles, and the owners of the orchards reaping the benefits of increased production and superior grades of fruit.

The model orchards are divided into two classes, exhibition orchards and supervision orchards. The latter class is the larger in number. In the exhibition orchards the state's field workers will themselves work and they will also be used for frequent periodical public meetings.

TURKISH ACADEMY FOUNDED BY GIFT

CONSTANTINOPLE—A Turkish millionaire has donated \$500,000 for the creation of a Turkish academy on similar lines to the Academy of France. The academy will have 25 members.

The membership will be limited to distinguished men of Arabian, Turkish and Persian nationality.

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At the Railway Terminals

The New York, New Haven & Hartford road will furnish special service this afternoon for the Cobb wedding party from Boston to Milton and return. The work on improvements at the Mystic wharf of the Boston & Maine road which was held up by a shortage of material has been resumed and will be rushed to completion.

The Boston & Albany road will bring east this evening the private car Wildwood, occupied by W. E. Hewin, counsel for the consolidated Harriman lines.

The Readville shops of the New Haven road are rebuilding all of the company's parlor cars into the latest standard style. Every one is given a trial trip from Boston to Providence and return before being placed in service.

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Doings of Interest at the Capital

SERIES OF RECENT EVENTS STIRS THE NATION'S INTEREST

(Continued from Page One.)

The congressional campaign. This wing of the Republican party is apparently almost ready to tear itself off on account of the tariff which was not revised down enough to suit it.

Out in the West the Ballinger-Pinchot fight is arousing great interest. In the far Northwest where the forestry bureau prevented the lumber companies from grabbing what was left of the timber, Mr. Pinchot is the hero; in the arid states where irrigation is the thing, Secretary Ballinger is the idol of the dryland farmers. No matter which way the congressional investigating committee jumps in its findings, capital will be made of the decision by opponents of the administration.

The Democrats are already painting rosy pictures of victory for the party in the congressional elections.

After all the adverse winds have been analyzed and their diversified bearings have been taken by the political pilots, there is still the possibility of a gale in reserve that may blow the G. O. P. ship in most any direction. It is expected to come from Africa. If Colonel Roosevelt should be "with Taft" when he gets back, as all friends of the administration hope and say he will, the party ship may be wafted into the safe harbor of victory in November. If events should turn out otherwise there might be a chance of hitting the rocks.

Simultaneous with the reversion of Congressman Augustus G. Gardner of Massachusetts to the camp of the House insurgents, comes the decision to open a fight against the Republicans opposed to Speaker Cannon and composing the radical wing of the dominant party.

The indications today following the activities of Monday point to joint operations between the Senate and House leaders to bring the insurgents into line. The objective is to exclude them from Republican councils. The party caucus is to be invoked in both legislative branches. In the House Speaker Cannon and his lieutenants have decided to send no notices of caucus to the insurgents. The same plan has been proposed to Senate Republicans and will probably be accepted.

A meeting of the insurgent Republican members of the House was held Monday night and the following statement issued:

"In the effort to cloud the real issue, an unfair and malicious attempt is being made to represent us as opposed to President Taft's administration and policies. There is not even a semblance of truth in this accusation. Without exception we are firm supporters of Republican doctrines and President Taft's administration.

"We are banded together for a single purpose, and no other. Our sole aim as a body is to restore to the House of Representatives complete power of legislation in accordance with the will of a majority of its members.

"We are striving to destroy the system of autocratic control, which has reached its climax under the present speaker."

SPANISH MINISTER IS TRANSFERRED

MADRID—The Marquis de Villalobar, Spanish minister to Washington, has been transferred to Lisbon.

WASHINGTON—Marquis de Villalobar, the Spanish minister, when informed that he had been transferred, said:

"I do not understand it at all, and there must be some mistake. Don't you think it likely that your correspondent at Madrid is in error?"

Assured that the news was apparently authentic, he continued: "About a month and a half ago my government asked me if I would go to Lisbon and take up a number of very important matters between Spain and Portugal. I replied that I preferred to remain as minister to the United States. I have heard nothing further and supposed the matter had been dropped."

DEDICATE STATUE OF LEW WALLACE

WASHINGTON—Indiana was joined by the rest of the nation today in paying honor to her distinguished son, Gen. Lew Wallace, soldier, statesman and author, when a statue of the famous Indian was unveiled in Statuary hall.

COURT UPHOLDS COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON—The supreme court of the United States has decided the various rates before it involving the power of the interstate commerce commission to regulate the distribution of railroad cars among coal companies, upholding the commission's power, but deciding the various cases on their individual merits.

PASS BILL TO PAY E. U. CURTIS.

WASHINGTON—The Senate has passed the bill reimbursing Sub-Treasurer E. U. Curtis of Boston for the loss of \$2000 by theft from the sub-treasury two years ago. It is doubtful if the bill can pass the House.

REPORT SHOWS A TENDENCY TO REDUCE CALL FIRE FORCE

WASHINGTON—The number of city employees of the fire departments in cities of 30,000 and more in 1907 was 29,055, or nearly three fourths of the number of employees of the police departments in the same cities according to a census bureau report just published.

Fire protection in many cities, however, is furnished in large measure by volunteer fire organizations, so that the fire fighting force is somewhat larger than the police force. Call men are numerically unimportant in the cities with a population of over 100,000, and in the last few years there has been a marked tendency for all cities of over 30,000 inhabitants to replace call men with regular men.

The per capita appropriation for the 158 cities reporting was \$1.85.

The per capita cost of maintenance of fire departments in foreign cities is, according to the bulletin, much lower than in cities of the United States, computations recently made by the United States geological survey placing the per capita expense in Berlin at 26 cents, London at 19 cents, St. Petersburg at 22 cents, Paris at 21 cents, Milan at 17 cents, and Stockholm at 23 cents.

The low per capita cost of maintenance abroad is the result of stricter building regulations, more nearly fire-proof buildings, and greater precautions to prevent the occurrence of fires. The foreign municipalities also make no payment for water for fire purposes, an expense incurred by about two-fifths of the departments in the large cities of this country.

The total loss through fires was \$48,678,730, on which insurance was paid amounting to \$42,655,725, leaving a net loss of \$6,023,005, or 12.4 per cent. The total fire loss per capita was \$2.28 and the net loss per capita 28 cents.

AUTO MAIL CARS TO REDUCE COST

Supplementary Postal Report

Declares That Some Street Railway Charges Are Exorbitant.

WASHINGTON—Transportation of the mails by railways, steamship lines and various star routes cost the government, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1909, \$83,493,762.

These are the figures given in the annual report of Joseph Stewart, second assistant postmaster-general, which was made public Monday.

It has developed that electric street railway companies in some cities demand extortionate rates for carrying the mails. Concerning this situation, Mr. Stewart says:

"In view of the demands made by electric car companies for higher rates for service in the large cities it is found desirable, in some cases, to substitute motor wagon service for the electric car service."

It is shown by the report that automobiles are displacing, to an extent, not only the street cars but horse-drawn vehicles as means for the transportation of mails in cities.

CIVIL ENGINEERS IN NAVY SHIFTED

WASHINGTON—A general shifting of civil engineers in the navy was made Monday by Assistant Secretary Winthrop, with a view to putting the best men among them in the most important work.

In addition the position of inspector of public works was created. A. C. Cunningham, now on duty at the navy yard at Norfolk, Va., will be given this post. He will inspect all work coming to the bureau of yards and docks and will be attached to the office of Captain Ward, the aide for inspection.

NEW NAVAL PLAN JUST COMPLETED

WASHINGTON—The new plan for overhauling the naval personnel to bring about the commissioning of younger captains has about been completed by Secretary Meyer with the assistance of the general board.

As soon as the general board has completed the few remaining details in connection with the scheme Secretary Meyer will submit it to President Taft for his approval and it will then go to Congress for consideration.

SEEK TO CHANGE LIGHTHOUSE RULE

WASHINGTON—President Taft, Secretary Nagel and the interstate commerce committee of the House favor the abolition of the lighthouse board and the establishment in the department of commerce and labor of a bureau of lighthouses, under the supervision of a commissioner. Representative Mann, chairman of the interstate commerce committee, has introduced a bill making provision for the desired changes.

STRIKES OFF INSURGENTS.

WASHINGTON—It was said in the House today that Representative Dwight of New York, Republican whip, has taken the names of the so-called insurgent Republican congressmen off the list of representatives to whom he regularly sends notices demanding their attendance at times of division.

FAVORS LABOR PROBE BUREAU.

WASHINGTON—Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor has promised to consider the creation of a bureau for investigation of the conditions of working men and working women in the United States.

SENATE HEARS SPECIAL MESSAGE.

WASHINGTON—The special message of President Taft proposing further railroad and anti-trust legislation was read Monday in the Senate as a special compliment to the executive. The message was read in the House Friday.

FOREIGN TRADE AID IS KNOX ARGUMENT TO BOARD OF HOUSE

WASHINGTON—"Secretary Knox made a marked impression on the foreign affairs committee by his convincing evidence that more attention must be paid by the government to the development of foreign trade relations, and I am certain that the entire committee, Republicans and Democrats, will actively cooperate with him in securing the appropriations which he desires."

Representative James Breck Perkins of New York, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, made this statement Monday night after Secretary Knox had completed an explanation of the estimates for the state department which he wishes included in the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill for the next fiscal year.

Secretary Knox explained the use to which he had put the appropriation of \$100,000 made in the last session for the development of American commercial and trade relations abroad. About \$75,000 has been used in the employment of trade and tariff experts in the state department, in the addition to the department of trained diplomatic and consular officers who were recalled from their posts to assist in the work, the establishment of the divisions of far eastern and near eastern affairs, and the bureau of information. He asked that these men be placed on the permanent rolls and requested \$25,000 for contingent expenses of these new divisions.

An appropriation of \$250,000 was asked in order that this sum might be available when the Panama treaty between the United States and Colombia is ratified by the Senate. That treaty provides for an annual payment of \$250,000 to Colombia. There is already \$500,000 in the treasury for this purpose.

Mr. Knox also asked favorable consideration of a proposal recently submitted to the department by France, that an international automobile congress be held in the near future for the purpose of recommending uniform legislation relating to automobile highways.

The secretary asked an appropriation of \$1500 for this purpose.

Speaking for the consular service, Mr. Knox showed that the entire cost of the service was only \$249,000, owing to the fact that more than \$1,500,000 had been received in fees, besides the immense amount of money the service has caused to flow into the United States. Mr. Knox asked that \$107,000 be appropriated to enable him to employ only Americans as consular clerks. At present there are 315 consular clerks in the service, and of this number only 130 are Americans. He desired that an appropriation be made for five consular assistants to be trained in the state department, and, after gaining the necessary experience, to be sent to various important posts.

The total amount asked by Mr. Knox is \$4,133,000, of which at least \$2,000,000 will come back in fees. The last bill carried an appropriation of \$3,613,861.

COMMERCE COURT BILL INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON—Representative Townsend (Rep. Mich.), introduced in the House late Monday the bill embodying the recommendations outlined in the special message of President Taft for amendments to the interstate commerce law. It provides among other things for a special court composed of five federal circuit judges to have exclusive original jurisdiction over matters growing out of orders of the interstate commerce commission.

DEDICATION FOR WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON—Plans are under way for an elaborate celebration at the time of the dedication of the building of the international bureau of American republics in this city. It will be ready in March.

Lowell Park Board SEEKING TO ENHANCE BEAUTY OF THE CITY

LOWELL, Mass.—Lowell seeks to improve its park system, to extend public playgrounds, to mitigate the billboard nuisance and otherwise to further civic improvement.

The annual report of the park commission, just filed, calls attention, among other things, to the lack of continuity of service at city hall, which is believed detrimental in the end to the city's interests. In summarizing the work of the department, the chairman declares that some "provision should be made to secure tracts of land available for park purposes at reasonable prices by obtaining an option for the purchase thereof, or by the issue of bonds, or in some businesslike way."

Generally surveying the field the report says: "There is a lack of continuity in the public service and little opportunity or inclination to plan work for the future or to map out and to adopt a plan of improvements comprehensive in character and designed to cover a term of years. Work that is done outside of maintenance in many of the departments is the result of local pressure and influence and of temporary considerations."

"The city council of 10 years ago has ceased to be and remissness of duty cannot be charged up against it now to any advantage; and after all, the fault is largely with the system, or the lack of it, and not with men."

"The problem of the government of cities will be solved when each citizen fully appreciates for himself and his household the advantage of good government in the city in which he lives."

"The time will come when the city will be greatly improved in its appearance. The location of the city, the rivers and canals flowing through it, the number and variety of the trees in the public streets and on private grounds afford natural advantages that will be utilized. There is a demand of the citizens for better streets, the removal of billboards and offensive signs, for more playgrounds and places of legitimate recreation."

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SATISFYING PUBLIC DEMANDS GREATEST RAILWAY PROBLEM

Satisfying the public demands is perhaps the most pressing question common at present to street railways in all sections of the country, whether the demands be for extension of lines, lower fares for longer journeys, new systems of more rapid transit, increased taxation or payments for franchises, reduction of capital to valuation figures, or the many indirect burdens of paving, bridge construction or other highway expenses.

This is the opinion of vice-President Charles S. Sergeant of the Boston Elevated railway, who reviews the problems of the year affecting electric railways, in the *Electric Railway Journal*. The problem of reconciling such demands with a fair wage for employees and a reasonable return to investors may well engage the attention of all managers, he thinks.

"Nearly every one will concede in theory," he says, "that capital actually invested is entitled to a fair return, but in practice such a right is not always considered by public authorities when the demands are made upon the railways. The most conspicuous example is the tendency to grant only short-term franchises."

"The enormous capital outlay required for a first-class city system is absolutely unjustified unless the privilege is to endure sufficiently long to provide for amortizing the major part of the investment by the provision from revenue of suitable sinking funds before the expiration of the franchise."

"Most railway men know that this amortization is impossible under ordinary American conditions, and will doubtless agree that investment under short-term franchises is hazardous in the extreme."

DIET OF PRUSSIA OPENED BY RULER

BERLIN. King William opened the Prussian Diet today. The proposed legislation outlined in the speech from the throne includes a bill for the reform of the election law and a measure to counteract the tendency of the laboring classes to desert the farming districts.

The speech foreshadowed a considerable deficit in the forthcoming budget notwithstanding the increased receipts through improved conditions of trade. The deficit is due chiefly to an increase of \$50,000,000 in the salaries of government employees.

The Reichstag reconvened today.

TURBINE PLANT FOR BROOKFIELD

WORCESTER, Mass.—Preparations are now being made for the new \$1,000,000 turbine power plant for the Worcester Consolidated Railway Company, which, it is believed, will be erected in Brookfield. The new plant will generate a horsepower of about 40,000 and will have distributing stations probably in Worcester and the other towns through which the cars of the company operate.

The new power station will be equipped with several big turbine generators, the very latest machines made.

PRESIDENT PLANS ATTLEBORO VISIT

ATTLEBORO, Mass.—The New England Jewelers Association will be addressed on March 21 in Providence by President Taft. The occasion will be the midwinter banquet, and other speakers will be Senator Aldrich and Senator Wetmore.

Henry Thresher and Harry Cutler, representing the association, have returned from Washington, where they received a promise from President Taft to be present at the banquet.

HARVARD SHOWS A STUDENT GAIN

The advance sheets of the official list of students attending Harvard University, which form a part of the catalogue, gives the number as 6308, a gain of 215 over last year. The Lawrence Scientific School with its 13 students will be extinct after next year, as it has been merged with the university. The law department has a total of 793, a gain of 79.

NEW BOYS CLUB PICKS OFFICERS

The recently incorporated Lowell Boys Club at its first annual meeting under the new organization has elected the following officers:

President, William S. Southworth; vice-president, Franklin Nourse; secretary, Greenleaf C. Brock; treasurer, Lewis E. MacBrayne; auditor, Ralph F. Brazier; trustees, John J. Pickman, Dudley L. Page, William S. Southworth.

STATE FIREMEN TO ELECT TODAY

WORCESTER, Mass.—Election of officers is the most important item on today's program of the third annual convention of the Massachusetts district of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen in session here.

CITY INQUIRY FOR LYNN.
LYNN, Mass.—Pending a thorough inquiry into that department the appointment of the subordinate officers of the board of public works has been held up by Mayor Rich.

Suburban News

READING.
The high school has received two valuable gifts for its biology room. One is a collection of minerals given by Miss Clara Tourjee Nelson and the other a fine collection of birds from Superintendent Harry T. Watkins.

The Congregational church will hold a New Year reception in the Y. M. C. A. building this evening.

"Magazine Night" will be observed by the North Reading grange at the next meeting, Jan. 19. The new officers for 1910 are: Lester K. Hayward, W. M.; Fred Childs, W. O.; Lucie M. Hayward, W. L.; Harvey Turner, W. S.; Stanley Nichols, A. S.; Fred Estes, chaplain; Blanche Burdette, secretary; E. A. Carpenter, treasurer.

NEWTON.
A lecture recital from Browning's "Ring and the Book" will be given one week from tonight by the Rev. Robert W. Van Kirk, at the Congregational church, Auburndale.

The Review Club of Auburndale today, in the Congregational chapel, will hear Prof. Frederic B. Luehmann of Yale on "The Beginning of French Literature."

The Channing Alliance will hold the first of its study class meetings today.

"Wild Animal Life" is the subject of a lecture by the Rev. William J. Long before the Mens League tonight at the Congregational church.

REVERE.
The Revere Police Association has elected these officers: President, John J. Shannahan; vice-president, William E. Tappan; secretary, Carroll A. Davis; treasurer, Charles O. Walton; directors, the president, Henry Blackmar, Albert Pearson, Thomas J. O'Hara, John J. Dyer. The association will hold its annual ball April 14 in the town hall.

The January supper and social of the First Congregational church will be held this evening.

The Revere No-License League has unanimously voted to oppose the granting of carriers' licenses for the coming year.

HYDE PARK.
The annual parish meeting of the Unitarian church will be preceded tomorrow evening by a supper.

An important meeting of the Christ Church Mothers Club will be held tomorrow.

Friends of George L. Farley, formerly a school principal in this town and now supervising principal in the Webster school, New Haven, Conn., are planning to welcome him at the Fairmount school hall this evening, when he will address the Fairmount Parents and Teachers Association.

MALDEN.
The Spanish war veterans and ladies' auxiliary had a joint installation of officers last evening in Grand Army hall. The High School Literary Association, of which Mayor Fall is an honorary member, and ex-Mayor Richards was an alumnus, held its annual election Monday evening with the following result: President, Roy D. Robbins; vice-president, Carl W. Wood; secretary, Francis Whitten, Jr.; treasurer, DeWitt Rhoades; deputy, Lawrence Mann; executive council, Kenneth Bosworth and Walter B. Clarke.

CHELSEA.
Officers were elected as follows at the annual meeting of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Monday evening at the church edifice on Reynolds avenue: President, Alden G. Alley; clerk, Robert G. Caspale; treasurer, Miss Ethel J. Hall; directors for two years, John W. Nugent and Walter E. Smith.

EVERETT.
The High School Athletic Association has made its annual report on the new athletic field, which was purchased at a cost of \$19,000 a year ago. The receipts from games the past season above expenses netted \$4600, \$1500 was contributed by the Everett Athletic Association, \$2500 was realized from the sale of a house which was upon the land when purchased, leaving the amount due \$10,400 on the field.

The Rev. E. T. Pitts, a former pastor of the Everett Congregational church, has been called to the pastorate of the Congregational church at Epping, N. H. He will accept the call.

NEW SCHEDULE IN WARE MILLS.
WARE, Mass.—The George H. Gilbert Manufacturing Company, one of the largest concerns in this section, has adopted the 56-hour working time, but has made no decrease in wages. In some cases the rearrangement will give the employees more than they received under the old schedule of 58 hours.

LECTURE ON ALASKAN TRIP.
An address on "A Trip to Alaska" will be given in the lecture hall of the Boston public library this evening by Charles A. Stone of Stone & Webster. This is one of a course of lectures open to the public given by the Field and Forest Club.

BEGIN "WHITE SLAVE" INQUIRY.
NEW YORK.—The grand jury Monday took up the investigation of the so-called "white slave" traffic in this city. Foreman John D. Rockefeller, Jr., held a conference with District Attorney Whitman.

MR. HIBBARD SUES COLLIERIES.
Mayor George A. Hibbard announces that he has begun a \$50,000 libel suit against Colliers Weekly on account of an article entitled "Tammanyizing Boston."

PORTLAND POSTAL RECEIPTS.
PORTLAND, Ore.—Portland's aggregate postal receipts for the year 1909 were \$783,579.37, which exceeded the record year of 1908 by 15.09 per cent.

UNIONISTS SEEKING TO PLACE LIBERALS ON THE DEFENSIVE

LONDON.—Conservative leaders are setting bravely to work today to secure in the remaining days of the campaign the greatest amount of prestige irrespective of denunciation of the land tax feature of the budget and the Liberal demand for the abolition of the House of Lords, probably the two most popular in the Liberal platform. The more experienced Conservatives are now concentrating every energy on the "German peril," a larger navy and the increased employment that will come with the inauguration of a protective system.

These issues not only make more catchy campaign slogans, but they put the Liberals on the defensive, a position which the Conservatives lately held. The word has gone out to refrain from abuse of opponents on the theory that the people are tired of mud slinging.

Herbert H. Asquith, the prime minister, issued an election address to his East Fife electors Monday night. The address is a comparatively brief document, ignoring all sides of the issues raised during the campaign, and is confined strictly to the constitutional question involved in the Lords rejection of the budget.

The most expert opinion inclined to the belief that the Liberals will win by a small majority, but only after a desperate struggle.

PROPERTY PLANS FOR WORCESTER

WORCESTER, Mass.—For the first time in its history the city of Worcester will have in the future as the result of Mayor James Logan's foresight a set of plans showing the property it owns, together with rights of way it has acquired for various improvements for years back. Much property which the city owns in various sections of the city is not shown on any handy plan, and its existence as an asset of Worcester is known only to some of the oldest inhabitants of the city's official family.

The mayor has started the work of preparing a set of uniform plans which will show in detail the property the city owns, tell when it was acquired, and how much was paid for it and show the pages on which the taking is recorded in the office of the register of deeds at the courthouse.

CHICAGO GREET'S BOSTON'S OPERA

CHICAGO.—An immense crowd at the auditorium gave applause and cheers to every act of "Aida," as played by the Boston opera company Monday night. After the second act Director Russell was compelled to respond to the insistent calls for him and in the opinion of local opera-goers such enthusiasm has seldom, if ever, been witnessed in Chicago during an operatic season.

The season of the Boston opera company in Chicago promises to be a record-breaker both artistically and financially, while socially it is expected to be the event of the year.

OPPOSE TAX BILL IN RHODE ISLAND

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—There is a well-defined belief among the legislators at the State House that the income tax amendment to the national constitution will not be approved by the Rhode Island General Assembly.

A half dozen leaders have unhesitatingly said that the proposition would very probably fail to receive the endorsement of the General Assembly. Senator Aldrich's opposition to the enactment of income tax laws is believed in many quarters to have made the action of the General Assembly on the subject a foregone conclusion.

NAMES DEPUTIES OF STATE GRANGE

WESTFIELD, Mass.—State Master Charles M. Gardner of Westfield has announced his appointments of deputies of the Massachusetts state grange for the coming term. The chief ones follow:

General deputies—N. B. Douglas of Sherborn, Elmer D. Howe of Marlboro, Warren C. Jewett of Worcester, George S. Ladd of Sturbridge, Carlton D. Richardson of West Brookfield.

Pomona deputies: W. E. Patrick of Warren, F. N. Boutelle of North Leominster, Wilbert T. Moore of Huntington.

BRANDER MATHEWS TO SPEAK.
WORCESTER, Mass.—Prof. Brander Mathews of Columbia University, New York, will address the members of the Worcester Women's Club on "Certain Americanisms" in Tuckerman hall, Women's clubhouse, Wednesday afternoon. The program of the occasion will be given under the literature department of the club.

BILLS REPORTED IN HOUSE.
The Massachusetts House committee of ways and means has reported appropriations of \$29,000 for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, \$10,000 for Worcester Polytechnic School, \$15,000 for the Massachusetts Firemen's Association, \$10,000 for the firemen's fund and \$8002 for annuities and pensions to be paid soldiers by the commonwealth.

PRESIDENT NAMES POSTMASTERS.
WASHINGTON.—President Taft has nominated the following postmasters: Maine—Augusta, John V. Lane. Massachusetts—Needham, Albert E. Brown; Newburyport, Fred L. Atkinson.

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GEOLOGY'S LESSON OF EARTH CHANGES SHOWN IN LECTURE

Prof. William M. Davis of Harvard in the third of his course of lectures on the "Greater Lessons of Geology" at the Lowell Institute, spoke Monday evening on "Life on Earth." Professor Davis began his remarks with a contrast between the changes which have taken place in the inorganic world with those which have occurred in the organic world.

The surprising thing about the inorganic world he said is its lack of surprises. There has been a constancy of method from the earliest times. In the organic world, however, there has been an immense diversity, a constant change.

"The conditions for fossilization are not good in highlands but excellent in the bed of an ocean. In the Bad Lands of the West the conditions are ideal for the fossil hunter, for the country was built up from the bed of an ancient sea by deposition.

The causes and methods of evolution are not thoroughly understood, but that evolution takes place is no longer questioned. Simple forms must have existed before complex forms. The nature of maintenance appears to have always been the same, that is the animal has always taken some outside substance as fuel and lived by the combustion of this fuel with the oxygen of the atmosphere. Animals of one kind have always devoured animals of another kind and the second kind have in turn always lived upon plants, while plants have always lived upon minerals. Careful geological search shows that man is at least 100,000 years old.

In his next lecture in Huntington hall Thursday evening Professor Davis will speak on the "Processes of the Interior Organization of Mountain Chains."

LYNN TRADESMEN FORM A NEW CLUB

LYNN, Mass.—Prominent shoe manufacturers and allied business interests of this city have under way a unique plan for stimulating local trade and promoting their social as well as business relations. Out of the 100 thus far approached over 60 have agreed to finance the plan to the extent of \$100 each, and this fund will be used in getting the organization into shape for incorporation.

One object of the club will be to provide attractive dining quarters where manufacturers may entertain visiting buyers and salesmen, where local merchants can lunch and discuss matters and where distinguished visitors may be entertained. Although called the Lynn Trade Club, it is generally known already as the new dining club.

The prime movers are Horace Murtry, president, Thomas W. Gardner, T. E. Harney, George Gregory and Joseph I. Melanson.

SHORTENS HOURS, KEEPS WAGES UP

LOWELL, Mass.—The day hands of the Talbot mills and the Faulkner Manufacturing Company at North Billerica will receive the same wages for the 56-hour weekly schedule as they were paid under the old 58-hour law.

Notice to this effect was posted on the door of the Talbot mills Monday night. Warren A. Evans, agent for the Faulkner Manufacturing Company, is authority for the statement that the company he represents will carry out the same plan as that adopted by the Talbot mills.

BEVERLY CHARTER BILL

Senator Bray in the Massachusetts Senate has had taken from the files of last year the petition of the Beverly board of trade and Business Men's Association for a revision of the Beverly city charter. A committee of the board of trade, citizens and city government is now working on a draft for a new charter revised from that submitted last year to be presented at this session.

H. M. TWOMBLY PASSES AWAY.
NEW YORK.—H. McKown Twombly, capitalist and railroad magnate, passed away today at his country home at Madison, N. J.

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WANTED—A journeyman for a small and girl aged 8 and 10. One speaking German, French and English preferred. Permanent position; New York in winter, possible in summer. Good pay and good hours. Answer to MRS. R. M. H. KIRK, MAN. 81 West 50th St., New York.

MAID (German-American) to attend lady living in New York hotel; must be able to sew, wash 2 1/2 hours per month; room and board by hotel; good house for qualified person. B. 4 2001 Metropolitan Bldg., New York.

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SITUATION wanted by business man of experience, capable of filling responsible position as treasurer, secretary, purchasing agent or manager, in or near Boston; highest references given. Address Y. 241, Monitor Office.

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NEWS OF THE REALTY MARKET

The amount of the mortgages filed at the Suffolk registry of deeds last week showed a substantial increase over the sum of those filed in the corresponding period of 1909, although the number of them placed on record showed a slight falling off. The number of transfers recorded also was somewhat less. Several large mortgages that have recently been placed on various downtown and Back Bay properties did not go to record last week. Had they been filed the mortgage item would have been swelled many thousands of dollars. Following are details of the week's business:

| | 1910 | 1909 | 1908 |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| No. transfers | 327 | 424 | 364 |
| No. mortgages | 159 | 171 | 127 |
| Amt. mtgs. \$ | \$1,114,272 | \$757,466 | \$645,767 |

SOUTH AND WEST ENDS.
Papers have gone to record conveying from Julius Dangel to Elizabeth R. Hamilton et al. the property at 149 Worcester street, South End, assessed for \$6500. There are 1995 square feet of land, taxed for \$3000. There is a four-story, octagon front brick house on the site.

An important transaction in the West End has just been closed involving the estate numbered 60 West Cedar street, corner of Revere street. Thomas G. Washburn is the purchaser at a price above the total rating of \$11,500. The property comprises a four-story brick structure, occupying 1295 square feet of land, the latter taxed for \$6200. The brokers were Viles & Smith.

Another West End transaction involves the parcel at 62 Myrtle street, near Irving street, Samuel Rich selling to Myer Melitz, who has taken title. There are 1428 square feet of land, taxed for \$5000, with a four-story brick house, \$8800 being the total rating.

Thomas J. Gilbride has purchased from Harris Walchman the property at 39 Billerica street, near Minot street, West End. It involves a four-story brick house, occupying 648 square feet of land, with a total rating of \$3800, of which \$1800 is on the land.

DORCHESTER CHANGES.
A valuable tract of land, consisting of two pieces at the corner of Ashmont and Florida streets, Dorchester, has been sold by Morris Goldfine to Abraham C. Berman. The area of the tract, as a whole, is 49,000 square feet, and it is rated by the assessors as worth \$10,500. It is the intention of the new owner to develop the property with several first-class apartment houses.

John Nicholson has purchased from Charlotte Jacob the property numbered 2076-2080 Dorchester avenue, at the junction of Codman and Patterson streets. The land, of which there is 7066 feet, is taxed for \$1600, the total assessment being \$6000. There is a double frame house, which the new owner will improve and occupy.

BROOKLINE BUILDING SITE.
Through the office of Wallace D. Dexter John D. Hardy has sold to Frank L. Gibson a lot of land in Buckminster road, between Chesham and Cotswold roads, containing 15,600 feet. Mr. Gibson intends to build an attractive plaster house for his own occupancy from plans of Benjamin Proctor, Jr., architect, who is now building several houses for other parties in this neighborhood.

WINCHESTER LAND.
Agreements have been signed through the office of Niles Bros., 60 State street, whereby Wallace F. Flanders of Winchester will purchase a lot of land containing nearly 13,000 feet, beautifully situated on the shore of Little Mystic lake and fronting on Lakeview road. Mr.

Flanders intends to erect a fine residence for his own occupancy.

SALE AT HULL.
Charles W. Marsh of Melrose has transferred to F. W. King of Newton lot No. 704 at Bayside, Hull. It is located on the southerly side of H street and contains 5025 square feet. It is the intention of the purchaser to build a summer cottage on the site. George A. Dill of the Tremont building was the broker.

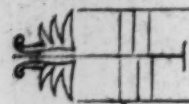
HUGE BUILDING PROPOSED.

The possibility that far-famed Madison Square Garden may be replaced by a huge office building seems to be shaping itself into a probability. Rumors are persistent that the Equitable Insurance Company is planning a structure that will rise above the dome of the Metropolitan company's home nearby.

Since J. Pierpont Morgan secured a controlling interest in the Equitable, through the purchase of the stock of Thomas F. Ryan, he has favored the move uptown. Mr. Morgan also is a heavy stockholder in the Madison Square Garden Company, and it is pointed out that a transfer of the valuable Madison square property to Equitable interests could easily be arranged by him.

If the project, as now planned, is carried out the two mammoth structures will stand less than two blocks apart overlooking Madison square. It is said that the Equitable building will cost more than \$3,000,000.

Real estate men say that in round figures, the



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A Page of Interest to All
the Family



A GENTLEMAN OF '76

It is extremely interesting to us today to read of those American colonists who for one reason or another at the time of our revolution sided with the King and the mother country. It is easy now to see the influences pulling both ways and to understand why conscientious men were divided in their allegiance. This understanding is the fruit of the closer bond of sympathy that has gradually grown where were the broken ties of '76. We are more ready now than at any time since then to think of ourselves as one race and to be proud that the courage and ability and high ideals of English men and women were what made the new America possible. The following record of one who was indeed cosmopolitan in his interests and his benefactions to his fellows is of a simple colonist-townsmen of the Woburn, Mass., of those days who afterward became a titled and important figure in European affairs.

Benjamin Thompson of Woburn was refused a commission in the Continental army of the famous 1770s and therefore offered himself to the British. He was sent to England on a commission and rose in office. He returned to this country later and organized in New York state the King's American dragoons. On his return to England he was offered the post of confidential adviser to the elector of Bavaria. He was so successful in reorganizing the state that he was promoted to the very highest offices, minister of war and commander-in-



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chief of the general staff. He was made a count of the Roman Empire in 1791. He eventually retired to Paris, where he lived at Auteuil in the chateau of his second wife, Mme. Lavoisier. He gave \$50,000 to the American Society of Arts and Sciences and left a like amount to

the Royal Society of London to found a prize for the best discoveries in heat and light. He left the funds with which has been established at Harvard the Rumford professorship of physics and mathematics as applied to the useful arts.

"The Woman With the Mother's Tongue"

May she be ever sung.
The woman with the mother's tongue;
Concerning whom Fame never sings,
Because she lives aloof from things;
Courageous from her natal hour,
She prays for one thing—Virtue's power.

When she gives word to you today,
No morrow's force can change her way.
Though unseen battles test her soul,
Divine-born grace gives her control.
Fair counsel—lip, most kind and sweet,
She leads a queenly life discreet:
All woman-wise and ne'er estranged—
The woman with the mother's tongue.

Not she the one who e'er will mar
The lives of those that nobler are;
Her hands will touch the secret springs
To move to valiant thoughts and things.
Her praises have the angels sung!
The woman with the mother's tongue.
—New York Times.

Fuel Oil in Mexico

One of the first results of the discovery of oil in Mexico has been the diminution of coal imports. Formerly the Mexican railways consumed annually at least 120,000 tons of patent fuel from South Wales.

In the latter half of last year half the locomotives were altered to burn liquid fuel, and it is now only a question of providing the necessary oil storage tanks at suitable points for oil fuel to become universal.

Other industrial power plants are being converted to oil fuel and the import of solid fuel is reduced by about one half. Mexico is well off, also in electrical power generated by waterfalls. The celebrated El Oro mines are supplied by electricity transmitted from long distant falls. Industrially Mexico is moving rapidly at present.—Cassier's Magazine.

Trusts

There are two sides to the trust question—the inside and the outside. Nobody on the inside of a trust was ever known to object to it, and nobody on the outside was ever known to do anything else.

The American trust has no counterpart in history. Starting as the dream of a few men, it had a difficult time in getting a foothold, until, in the latter part of the nineteenth century, Congress passed the anti-trust law. From that moment trusts began to multiply, wax and grow fat, while the people began to grow lean. The trusts have had smooth sailing ever since. They soon covered the face of the land, while the officials thereof covered their tracks.—Ellis O. Jones in "Life."

Growth of Language

Discussing the coming into good use of slang phrases, the Chicago Record-Herald says:

The truth, of course, is that there is slang and slang. The old-fashioned purists have long since surrendered to the liberal and rational school, which cheerfully welcomes the cooperation of the "lower, uneducated world" in fashioning and quickening language. Few novelists, essayists and orators now taboo slang. But astonishingly little slang survives as a matter of fact and gets itself incorporated into language. Thus the very test to which the appeal is made—popular usage—condemns nine tenths or more of the slang that we busily manufacture, and we therefore need other means of preventing stagnation and decline of language.

Art, international intercourse, interaction of various tongues, the advance of civilization by means of conflict, experience, contrast and selection however provide such means continually and without conscious effort. Where life is rich and full, where thought is active, language will be strong and fresh and colorful. Progressive peoples have progressive, evolving tongues, and the dead or dying languages are languages in which no emotions, moods, impulses, ideas, are pressing for expression.

His Tokens of Farewell

Among the legends that have gathered around Sir Alfred Jones' name is one to the effect that he was in the habit of signifying to an office visitor, by offering him a banana, that he desired to end the interview. If the banana was accepted and the call prolonged Sir Alfred rose and presented his visitor with a fine flower from one of the glass stands in his office. But supposing his visitor stayed after the flower. Well, the legend continues, Sir Alfred then offered a pass to the West Indies on one of his mail steamers, with a free holiday for six weeks at his hotel.

It is told, however, that on one occasion Sir Alfred got the worst of the banana trick. A young reporter called on him to learn, on behalf of his newspaper, something about the shipping conflict. When, after a 10-second conversation regarding the weather, Sir Alfred's hand was straying toward the banana plate, the reporter looked a couple of bananas out of his own pocket. In the sweetest tone of innocence he said: "Will you have a banana, Sir Alfred?"—Westminster Gazette.

The University of Paris

The great part that the University of Paris has played and is playing in the life of France is the subject of an interesting work by M. Liard, the head of that institution. In an explanatory article on his book M. Liard says that the university during the middle ages was the great intellectual power of the civilized world. During the seventeenth century it deteriorated and at the time of the revolution it disappeared along with many corporations of the old regime.

It was only about 50 years ago that its vast communistic life began to revive. All the various faculties—the law school, school of letters, etc.—were again grouped, under one head. All the various edifices that house these different departments are clustered together near the famous Pantheon church and they form the heart of what is known as the Latin Quarter.

But these buildings have several annexes in the provinces. Just outside of Nice is the observatory erected by

Charles Garnier. It contains the finest astronomical instruments in France. Also there are several laboratories for research work of different sorts scattered along the channel coast. Most of these annexes were gifts from wealthy men such as Raphael Bischoffsheim, the donor of the Nice observatory. At present Henri Deutsch de la Meurthe is putting up an aerotechnical laboratory which he intends to give to the university.

Last year 16,000 students were enrolled at the various colleges. Of this number only 1300 were women.

During the middle ages students from all over Europe flocked to Paris. When the university's prestige began to wane they turned their steps to Berlin or Vienna. Now they are coming back to France. Last year there were about 3000, not only from Europe but from North and South America, Japan and China.

M. Liard concludes his article by saying that the university—the organ of national culture—is again the organ of universal influence.

The Silk Express

The silk train is run as a special. This special is the emperor of trains. It is reserved for the costliest of all freight—raw silk. When it starts eastward its lading will be worth a fortune—a million and a half, perhaps two millions, of dollars. If a limited loses time and gets in the way the limited has to fret on a siding while the silk train roars by in a whirlwind of dust. The silk train runs on no schedule except that of the greatest speed consistent with safety. While the silk train is yet a thousand miles away it is being prepared for. Tracks are cleared and a thousand details arranged so that there shall be no delay in hurling this huge projectile across the continent. The silk must be landed in New York in five days—Harpers Weekly.

The World's Population

It is probable that the population of the earth has doubled since 1800, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. One now knows within 10,000,000 of what it is in 1909, but no doubt the figures just published by B. L. Putnam Weale are as good as any other. He gives a grand total of 1,685,000,000. Of these only about a third, or 546,000,000, are white, with 85,000,000 in North America and 453,000,000 in Europe.

A Great Inland Seaport

Walter Williams says in "From Missouri to the Isle of Mull": The casual visitor to Montreal feels rather than sees its growing commercial importance. He sees the departmental stores—note the extra syllable which Canada couples to the already long word—and wanders through their aisles. He sees the shipping of the wharves and remembers that here in Montreal he is in a seaport, a thousand miles from the sea. . . . The crowning glory of the city of Montreal is the St. Lawrence river, harnessed now for the use of commerce. It is a noble river, broad and broadening to the sea. It drains one third of the fresh water surface of the globe. Broad, the river was, but shallow. Then Montreal deepened and dredged and dredged and deepened the river which girdles the city and—now? Well, now Montreal has moved the seacoast to its doorstep and has become one of the world's greatest export stations for wheat.

A Seafaring View

John R. Drexel, at a dinner in Newport, said of good manners: "The Hot-tent thinks his manners are the best, the Frenchman thinks his are, the cowboy thinks his are, even the sailor—but listen. I once attended a reception on a man-of-war. A distinguished statesman, visiting this man-of-war, dispensed with the usual formal salute. I heard a sailor near me say: 'Who's the one that doesn't tip his sky-pie to the skipper?' 'That's Senator Dash, the famous tariff leader.' 'Well,' growled the first sailor, 'why hasn't he got manners enough to salute the quarter-deck?' 'Manners!' a third sailor chimed in, 'what does he know about manners? I don't suppose he was ever out of sight of land in his life.'"

Filling in the Time

Lady Anne Lindsay, the author of the old poem, "Auld Robin Gray," was not only a delightful conversationalist, but she was a great story teller. This gift made her not only a welcome guest abroad but a valuable member of the home circle, for it is related in "A Group of Scottish Women" that at a dinner party which she was giving to some friends an old man servant caused some amusement by saying in a perfectly audible undertone: "My lady, you must tell another story. The second course won't be ready for five minutes."

An Independent Pair

Prime Minister Zahle of Denmark, who violated all court traditions by going to a royal reception wearing a black slouch hat, and his wife, who retains her place as a stenographer in the Danish Parliament, are subjects of many jokes in European papers. The current number of Ull has a cartoon showing Herr Zahle making an address in Parliament. His wife, rising from the reporter's table, says: "Hubby, dear, just a little pause; Europe must have patience; the point of my pencil has broken off."—Chicago Daily Journal.

It is only by giving we live.—Lucy Larcom.

Children's Department

Quaint Old Yarmouth

A Yarmouth hundred of herring really counts 132, and in many ways the inhabitants of the old town are credited with an open-handed generosity. Peggoty told David Copperfield, you remember, that it was the finest place in the universe, to which the boy replied that "a mound or two might have improved it, and also that if the land had been a little more separated from the sea and the town and the tide had not been quite so much mixed up, like toast and water, it would have been much nicer." But presently, when he got into the streets, and "smelt the fish and pitch, and oakum, and tallow, and saw the sailors walking about and the carts jingling up and down over the stones," young Copperfield admitted

that he had done Yarmouth an injustice. The remains of Peggoty's hut may still be seen, reminding one of the place where David was so happy, of Peggoty's jokes, of little Emily's pretty ways and of the dolefulness of Mrs. Gummidge. Formerly Yarmouth was one of the principal ports of England, and its merchant adventurers enjoyed the patronage of Queen Elizabeth. Its Tolhouse claims to be the oldest municipal building in the kingdom.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

TODAY'S PUZZLE

Twice behead a sweet Irish singer and find his gold returned to the rock.

ANSWER TO PICTURE PUZZLE: Pointer.

Advertising and the Postoffice

Mr. Taft is of opinion that the magazines carry more advertising in proportion to reading matter than the newspapers. This, as it happens, is an entire mistake. But it gives opportunity to explain that of all the business done by the postoffice department the most profitable is the carrying of advertising. Rather than force magazine advertising out of the mails, the government could better afford to carry it for nothing. The chief object of the reputable business people who patronize the advertising pages of the periodicals is to provoke correspondence. A single advertisement on one page of a periodical has brought to the advertiser 17,000 letters. Each one of these letters starts a return patronage of the mails. The actual carrying of that advertisement has cost the government an infinitesimal sum. The return received by the government has been the large profit upon the sale of many thousands of 2-cent stamps. It is impossible properly to consider the rate of postage to be charged by the government on one class of matter without studying the relation of the rates on different classes to one another.—Review of Reviews for January.

Hail to the Kneisels!

The beginning of the twenty-fifth season of the Kneisel quartet is an event of no merely local significance, nor one of small moment to lovers of chamber music in America and elsewhere; for, wherever they have played, "the Kneisels," as they are familiarly known, have endeared themselves to American audiences as no other separate musical organization has done. It is often said that as a people we are not musical, in spite of the wide distribution of the piano and the general practice of school, church and choral music; but when Mr. Kneisel says that America has made more progress in music in 15 years than Europe has for 40 or 50, it is permissible for the eagle to preen his feathers a bit, and it is both proper and obligatory to say that perhaps the largest influence in our improvement has been the playing of this very quartet. Throughout the country, in cities, colleges and private houses, they have upheld the highest standards of their art and delighted hundreds of thousands by the beauty and sincerity of their professional work, and manifestly this has told and is telling in the musical education of the people.—Century Magazine.

Men get opinions as boys learn to spell—
By reiteration, chiefly.
—Mrs. Browning.

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SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

THE recognition of God as ever-present, omnipotent Mind has been among mankind since the patriarchs and prophets. The Scriptures record their spiritual visions, and the lessons thus recorded have resulted in this age in the further revelation of Truth foretold by the Galilean prophet, the greatest of them all.

Noah knew and loved God and was thus able to find safety in the secret place of understanding, typed in Scriptures as an ark or place of refuge. Abraham knew God and talked with God so consciously that it was as if he saw three men visiting his dwelling at noon; that is, at the highest moment of his spiritual illumination. God's presence was so visualized to Moses that he saw Him as a brightness and a burning all through the bush which yet was not consumed. Afterward when he led the people through the wilderness the great lawgiver spoke with the Father face to face, the record says, that is, communed consciously with divine Mind, as naturally as man speaks with man.

Jacob, struggling with the sense of life in matter and striving to rise into consciousness of man as spiritual, not material, was rewarded at last, as all shall be, and could say, as all shall yet say, "I have seen God face to face and my life is preserved." In that vision he knew that life is of God and eternal, as He is, and cannot be destroyed. This understanding of the reality of being was Israel's great and precious heritage to transmit to his sons; and so on down the generations the vision was more or less clear. It was so obscured at one time that the people asked of Samuel a king to rule over them; their consciousness of divine guidance within themselves was so dim that they had to look to temporal authority outside themselves. David, however, with all his shortcomings, had the vision and clung to it. The Psalms show with wonderful beauty and power the struggle of their writers for rightness with and in God.

Aspiration

As blossoms sweet and flowers fair
Lend their fragrance to the air,
Make my life, O God, each day
Like the flowers that bloom in May;
Shedding o'er all earthly gloom
Heaven's joy and Love's perfume;
Giving forth Thy word of Light
As the stars that shine at night;
Reflecting as the noonday sun
All Thou art, Eternal One.
—Oscar O. Cozad.

their striving amid the mortal sense, with its host of sins and sorrows, to keep clear the consciousness of ever-present Love.

Isaiah says that God bore and carried His people all the days of yore. Today mankind is again opening sleep-laden eyes to perceive the truth, God has never left Himself without a witness among men. He has truly borne and carried the people, every individual, even as a mother has borne and carried the unconscious infant who knows not her love and care. Yet the care is just as tender and loving as if the child understood and repaid it with gratitude. Indeed the parable of the ninety and nine indicates that divine Love guards each one according to his own need.

Those who accept Christian Science are waking to the fact of God's actual presence on earth now. It is this which has so wonderfully renewed their faith in the Scriptures, the Old Testament as well as the New. Once having seen that it is possible to know God, to become spiritually conscious of Him, of divine Life and Love, the student of the Bible knows that the seers and the prophets and disciples understood what they were saying and were not uttering mere wild whirling words. Therefore they search the Scriptures with the same faith as that in which the student of human knowledge perseveres in his text-book. They have enough understanding to begin to study it, and this very understanding is what makes them so sure there is much more to be revealed by further study. Light on the vatic utterances of the prophets and the spiritual interpretation of the parables and discourses of the New Testament is

Yale "Spoon Men"

For many years down to 1872 the wooden spoon was the most coveted honor of a Yale course. It did not necessarily indicate the highest scholarship, but it was voted by the graduating class to the most popular man. The "spoon man" of a class was its hero, according to the Hartford Courant. The other boys loved him, and he was almost invariably a person who justified that affection. The list of "spoon men" would include some of the most eminent of Yale graduates. There were nine members of each class selected by their classmates. To one of these nine was awarded the spoon, and they all joined in a public performance called the wooden spoon exhibition, at which the ceremony of presentation was gone through with all the wit that a college class could master. The last "spoon man" was Robert B. Lea of Nashville, Tenn., of the class of 1871.

The only way to keep good resolutions from getting moth eaten is to take them out and brush them every day.—Youth's Companion.

Faith

Strange bees! that thirst in fear
The cup they sip of honeyed cheer
Shall ever dry.

Strange flowers! that do not know
The power to push above the snow
And see the sky.

Strange birds! that starve when cold
Winds blow, and always young and old
Scatter the crumb.

Strange man! that sees and hears
Bees, flowers and birds through all the years.
And still is dumb.
—Leslie H. Allen.

Be Happy

There is no duty we so much underrate
As the duty of being happy.—R. L. Stevenson

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"First the blade, then the ear,  then the full grain in the ear."

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Working for Harmony

SO MANY important considerations are involved in the question of preserving the integrity of the Republican party organization, regarding it from a partizan viewpoint simply, that there will be a great deal of serious deliberation among its elders before they will permit dissension to take on the form of division. In several previous administrations internal dissatisfaction in the Republican party has manifested itself, and at times it has assumed phases far more threatening than any that are visible at present. In some instances questions arose touching points upon which the organization claims distinctive merit, and upon which it has for years based its strongest appeals for popular support. Planks, platforms, policies have now and then been ignored by disaffected factions, or set at defiance; but in the end wiser counsels have prevailed and the disturbance that bade fair at one time to wreck the party has closed with a love feast.

Today, if we eliminate the tariff dispute, which is a controversy properly within the party, and which, in view of certain steps now being taken, will cease to cause internal agitation in time, there is no partizan issue involved. The Democrats, for example, are as desirous of promoting conservation as the Republicans; the "regulars" as the "insurgents." The contention is rather personal than political, and it is not surprising to hear that many of the sober-minded are asking why the Republican party should permit itself to be dragged into a controversy which has narrowed down to questions of fitness, fidelity and veracity on the part of two individuals and their friends and followers.

Notwithstanding present appearances, there are not lacking evidences of a desire for reconciliation. Even some of those who were at first inclined to fan the flame are now advising harmony. The country's interest comes in here, for a session of Congress rendered worse than useless by wrangling is something that the nation would very much like to avoid at all times and especially at a time when the outlook is otherwise so full of promise.

THE statement that Mayor Gaynor of New York wears old-fashioned black mittens, the kind that our grandmothers used to knit for us, may have started the rumor that he is preparing to meet squarely the problems that are confronting his municipality and to "handle them without gloves."

THERE is a pretty strong and a pretty widespread conviction among public men of all parties that the proposed constitutional amendment authorizing the levy of an income tax will not be ratified by the requisite number of states, and this conviction is due in no small degree to the recent analysis and criticism of the measure by Governor Hughes of New York. The words "from whatever source derived," to which Governor Hughes called special attention, and which he maintained might prove dangerous to the states, are now regarded on all sides as extremely unfortunate, and it has been proposed that Congress pass another resolution omitting these words, with the view of bridging over the difficulty. This proposal, however, has met with very little favor.

Even before Governor Hughes had made clear the possibilities of grave danger in the amendment, there were many of this gentleman's way of thinking—many, that is, who believed that under the constitution, as it is, an income tax measure could be framed that would meet the supreme court test. The number of these people will be greatly increased if the amendment fails. And who shall say it will not be worth all the ability, ingenuity, energy, time and money expended upon the fruitless effort, if we discover once again that our constitution is sufficiently elastic for all practical purposes?

INTEREST in the discovery of the south pole seems not to have abated because the north pole has been reached. On the contrary it appears as if the scholars and explorers of the world now realize that such a purpose is not impossible of accomplishment, and furthermore that there is only one pole left to be "discovered." It is already evident that there will remain a spirit of unrest in the scientific world until the last pole is duly explored and charted. So, perhaps, the sooner it is done the better for the peace and content of everybody.

Conservation Will Go Forward

THE best assurance the people can have at present that the conservation policy is neither to be neglected nor abandoned, but rather that it is to be pushed forward with greater energy than ever, is to be found in the practically authorized advance announcement with relation to the forthcoming presidential message on the subject. From the date of his nomination Mr. Taft has been proclaiming his unqualified friendship for the conservation policy. In his campaign speeches and in many of his speeches during his western and southern trip of last fall he declared himself unhesitatingly and unalterably in favor of guarding jealously the remnant of the national domain and all of the natural resources within the jurisdiction of the national government.

It would not be fair, therefore, to insinuate that the measures for further protection in this particular that he will advocate and recommend in his message on the subject have been prompted by a desire to allay any public distrust in this regard resulting from the dismissal of Mr. Pinchot. There is every reason to believe that these measures would have been brought forward had the Ballinger-Pinchot dispute never arisen.

Enough is known in Washington, it is said, to warrant the statement that the legislation to be recommended in the message will include a law to increase the powers of the government in safeguarding the forests, a law that will forever prevent the making of entries on coal lands lying within the public domain for the purposes of mining, a law that will preserve to the people in perpetuity the title to all water sites lying within the public domain, and a recommendation that a loan of \$30,000,000 be authorized to complete existing reclamation projects. In relation to the mineral land law,

it is stated positively that the President will urge the lease of coal lands for restricted terms, the fee to remain in the name of the government with adequate compensation to the people for that which they grant to individuals and companies.

One effect of the extension or elaboration of the Roosevelt conservation policies under the Taft administration, and one that all thinking people will applaud, is the adoption of means whereby the public interests may be protected without arresting development. The conservation that would simply mean the tying up of natural resources, even though the government might be the conservator, would not long be tolerated by the people of the new states and territories. What they are seeking is the development of those resources under a system that will properly protect the public interest and give a fair chance to all.

Growing Ac- quaintance With Latin America

THIS country is getting rapidly acquainted with the Spanish republics. The old plaint that people know nothing of their Latin neighbors to the South is entirely out of date. Cuban names nowadays are commonplace. Nicaraguan patronyms are falling glibly from the Saxon's lips—he is at home there as he is in Panama. Yesterday, Washington frowned on Chile, nay, even spoke coldly to Mexico, rurales or no rurales, and today it calls on Ecuador to practise greater cleanliness—petalty, the closing of the Canal Zone to ships touching Guayaquil. Considering further that this country took an active part in making Venezuelan contemporary history and in unmaking Colombia's map, became a benefactor to the finances of Santo Domingo and is similarly engaged at this time in Guatemala and elsewhere in isthmian America, it seems a pity that there are only twenty Latin republics between Rio Grande and the Horn, for at this rate the round will be completed all too soon.

Yet there is some comfort. For instance, the pendencies the United States has with so many of the republics are far from nearing settlement and are apt to yield fresh interest at the mere touch—especially the touch of Washington. Again, when the circle of our more intimate acquaintance takes in Brazil and the Argentine Republic, a great deal more exhaustive information about Latin American resources and characteristics will be gathered, and, it would seem, in a much shorter space of time. For example, it would take much less time to find out what were the intentions of Argentina or Brazil in such and such a matter than it took in the case of Nicaragua. Perhaps most interesting of all—and even most useful—will be the discovery that the "Manana" people of the southern hemisphere are actually honored with the friendship of other people in various parts of the world, that these are friendships of some standing and may even be considered as valuable as friendships that find expression in the Monroe doctrine.

Of course, on their part the Latin Americans will profit hugely by this closer acquaintance as they are one by one approached from Washington. Not that they will gather much they did not know about the "Yanqui," but they will find out something highly profitable about themselves. They will see that they are not twenty peoples of different and antagonistic origin and interests but that they are 50,000,000 of the same stock, speech, traditions. By the time they have discovered that they are not hopelessly divided they may even go so far as to comprehend that they hold the key to the isthmian transit between the Atlantic and the Pacific.

If such developments must precede the final assertion of United States supremacy in the West, then these are the halcyon days of American diplomacy.

SAYS Thomas Edison: "In 200 years, by the cheapening of commodities, the ordinary laborer will live as well as a man does now with \$200,000 annual income." Perhaps the working man of that period in looking back at the conditions that prevail now will be moved to remark,

"Of early joys let others prate;
I'm thankful I was born so late."

CONCORD certainly appreciates too deeply the value of its literary landmarks to part with any of them. It is inconceivable that the "Orchard House" on Lexington road, famous as the scene of many of the writings of Louisa May Alcott, and credited as the place where she produced "Little Women," should be permitted to pass into any hands but those that would preserve it. The present owner is Mrs. Daniel Lothrop, better known as Margaret Sidney, author of "Five Little Peppers," who purchased the estate some years ago as a matter of "protection." Her own home, the "Wayside," once the residence of Hawthorne, is next to the old Alcott homestead, and this she also bought to keep it from the control of those who might not respect its historic value. For the same reason, Mrs. Lothrop acquired the home of Ephraim Bull, originator of the Concord grape. Thus the town of Concord is much indebted to this talented and public-spirited woman.

The time would seem to have arrived, however, for it to act in its own behalf. A report of the prospective sale of the Alcott homestead has stirred many friends of the historic town. It is likewise intimated that that old Academy building on Middle street, in which many men of prominence in New England and national affairs received part of their education, may be removed soon, and the demolition of other structures of interest is mentioned. Should these prove to be merely rumors, the fact remains that the various properties will in the course of years go into the possession of new owners. The surest way to safeguard them is for the deeds to be made out in the name of the town. The opportunity is open to wealthy admirers of Emerson, Hawthorne, Thoreau, the Alcotts and others who have made the place famous to buy their old homes and present them to Concord. People all over the country who have visited these literary shrines hold them in loving regard and have a strong desire that they shall be preserved as long as possible. But on purely material grounds the town would do well to acquire title to its historic and literary points of interest. A great number of old world towns and cities count their noted and historic structures as part of their capital, and depend on them for financial returns. The Concord homes of writers attract thousands of visitors every year, and are the source of considerable income.

The renewed interest just now in the ever-recurring Shakespeare-Bacon controversy, brought about by a hunt for the supposed hidden Bacon library, bears on this subject; and a stronger argument is supplied in the account of a recent fruitless search for the birthplace and haunts of Bacon. It is while famous houses are still intact that effort to preserve them can be made effective.

Value of Literary Landmarks

WHETHER or not the recommendations of the President in his special message to Congress are acceptable to the railroad "inag-nates" and captains of industry, and whether or not they shall, in the concrete form of bills prepared by the attorney-general, be acceptable to the majority in the national Legislature, it is indicative of a healthy state of public confidence that neither in their immediate nor in their prospective aspects do they threaten to disturb industrial conditions. In some quarters an effort has been made to charge the message with radicalism. The very best proof we can have to the contrary is the failure of the markets to reflect any such sentiment. Now as formerly the markets are made by the "interests" Mr. Taft would have brought under regulative legislation, and if his views in this particular, or his purposes, were believed in the circles dominated by those "interests" to be radical in tendency, we should not have to remain long in doubt as to their influence upon the business of the country.

Some of the propositions advanced by the President, if voiced in a message from the White House a few years ago, would undoubtedly have been called radical in industrial and commercial as well as in business circles, and they might have caused no little alarm. But we have been working up gradually to the time when as a people we are quite confident that anything that is for the general good cannot permanently or seriously injure any special class or any special interest in any legitimate function or privilege. Even the representatives of "special interests" who were once so easily frightened by proposals looking to the curbing of doubtful or dangerous opportunities to which they had become attached, are now disposed, as a rule, to regard measures looking to the public welfare as necessary even when disagreeable.

Another factor, too, is operating in our times to prevent the disturbances so often in attendance upon innovation in the past. This may be best described, perhaps, as the general conviction that although there are times when public trust seems to be trifled with, those chosen by the people to serve them are fairly representative of the intelligent and conscientious citizenship of the republic. The people are by no means losing faith in themselves.

The Playgrounds of Cities

ACCORDING to a statement in a year book just issued by the Playground Association of America, the expenditures for playground parks in the five cities which have taken the lead in the movement for the last year were: Chicago, \$500,000; New York, \$123,000; Boston, \$55,000; Philadelphia, \$30,934, and St. Louis, \$6135. Chicago, a pioneer in this movement, has had a very decided start. She stood in manifest need of recreation grounds for children when the movement was started. But whatever may have been Chicago's need, it has not been entirely met. As the work has grown the need for its expansion seems to have become more apparent. So beneficial have the small parks proved in neighborhoods, both as regards the physical and moral well-being of the children, that it is doubtful if there is in Chicago today an uplifting influence that appeals with greater force to public generosity and private philanthropy.

The other cities named have not been neglectful of the opportunity for carrying on this great communal work, although their progress has been slower. They will be able to make a better showing proportionately, however, when they shall have advanced far enough to impress the public mind with the great need of playgrounds. It seems necessary to have one or more of the playgrounds in successful operation before the average citizen takes in its meaning and its value.

The movement should gain recruits more rapidly. Scores of communities and thousands of neighborhoods that stand greatly in need of it have not yet been made acquainted with the beneficent results that follow its adoption even in a modest way. Here is another situation wherein publicity may help.

The calm assurance with which the French aviator, Paulhan, who is a prominent participator in the Los Angeles air craft tournament, says he is going to fly over the Sierras makes it appear rather clear that his is a nature that is disposed to make a molehill of a mountain.

AUGUST HERRMANN, chairman of the national baseball commission, is none too forceful in his antagonism to syndicate baseball. In his annual report, read at Cincinnati on Wednesday, it became his pleasant duty to speak of the prosperity that attended the game last year and his unpleasant duty to speak of what might, and in all probability would, happen in case commercialism should show its hand too strongly in the conduct of the leagues. The national game was subjected to a considerable strain in its hold upon popular favor when the local character of the clubs became lost in the general organization. For a time civic interest in the clubs bearing a city's name somewhat drooped, but as it came to be recognized that the healthful development of the game required its removal from local restrictions, and that the new organization policy was vitalizing and nationalizing in its tendencies, the sticklers for "home-town" ball began to give way, and all true lovers of the game are now content if only the ownership of the different clubs is local and held independently.

Whether there has been a serious attempt to further commercialize the game by the creation of a controlling syndicate is not known. That the matter has been broached seems certain. Moreover, some things have happened recently that seem to justify the impression that a syndicate system of control would not be objectionable in certain influential quarters. However this may be, the opposition to it is widespread and pronounced, and while it may be true that it is based largely on sentiment, it is also true that the future of the national game is dependent upon the same factor. Once the sentiment behind it fades, the game can hardly hope to hold its prestige, popularity or money-making opportunities.

Mr. Herrmann is perfectly right in saying that wherever an attempt is made to syndicate baseball it must be repressed, if the game is to continue to hold its place in the esteem and affection of the American people. Baseball is at present carrying all the commercialism it will stand.

No Disturbance of Industrial Conditions

No Syndicate Baseball Wanted

Governor Hughes and the Income Tax